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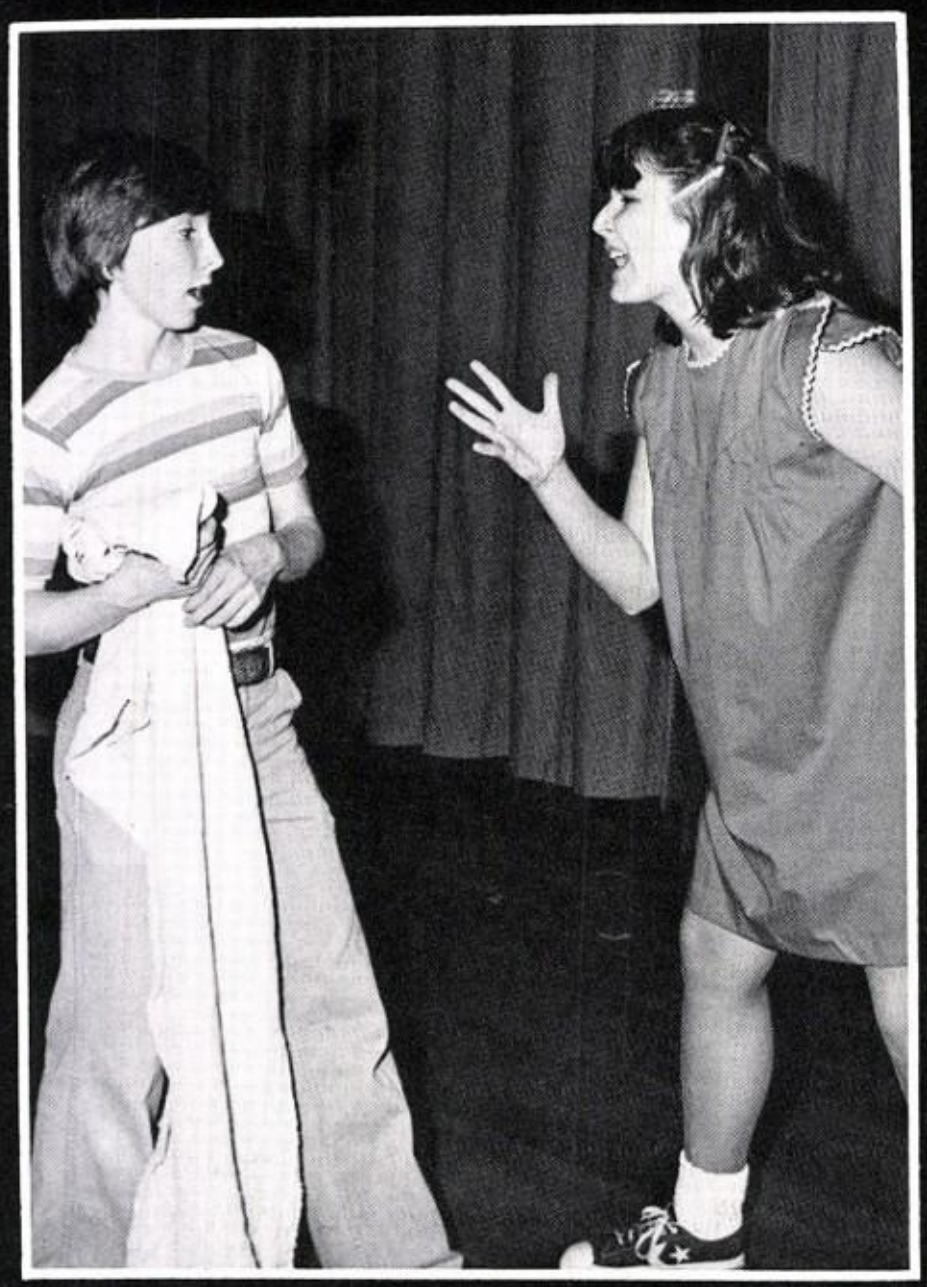
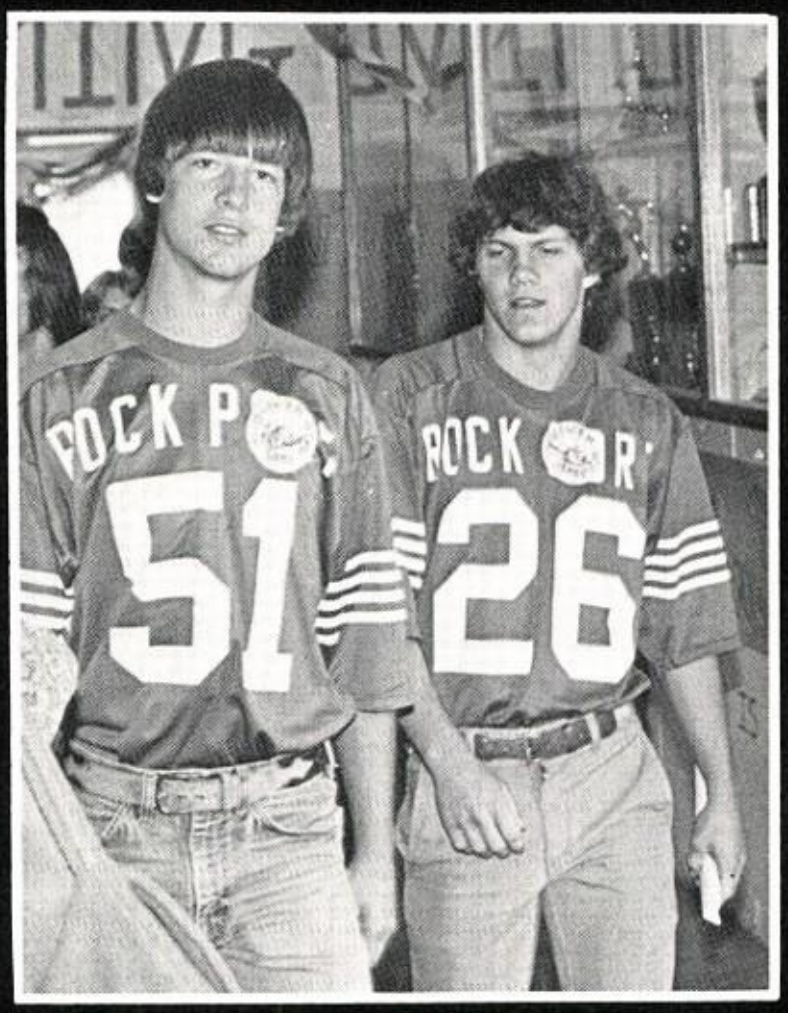
*Mem'ries light the corners of my mind. Misty water color mem'ries of the way we were.*

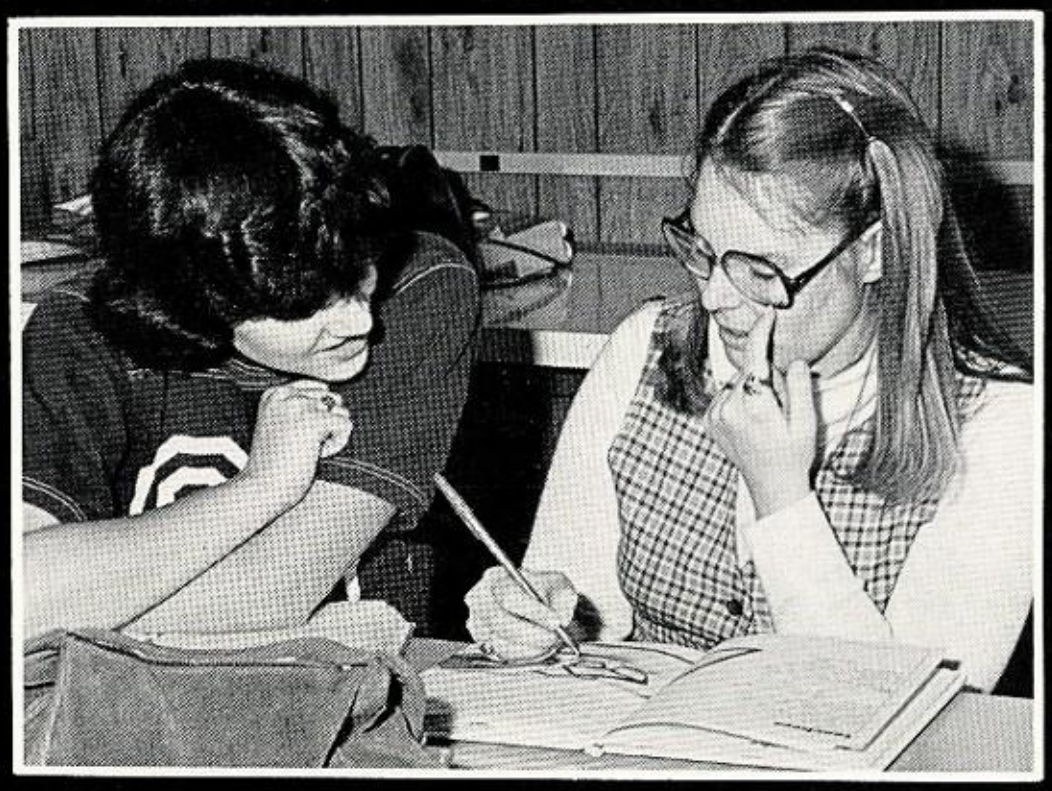
*Scattered pictures of the smiles we left behind, smiles we gave to one another for the way we were.*



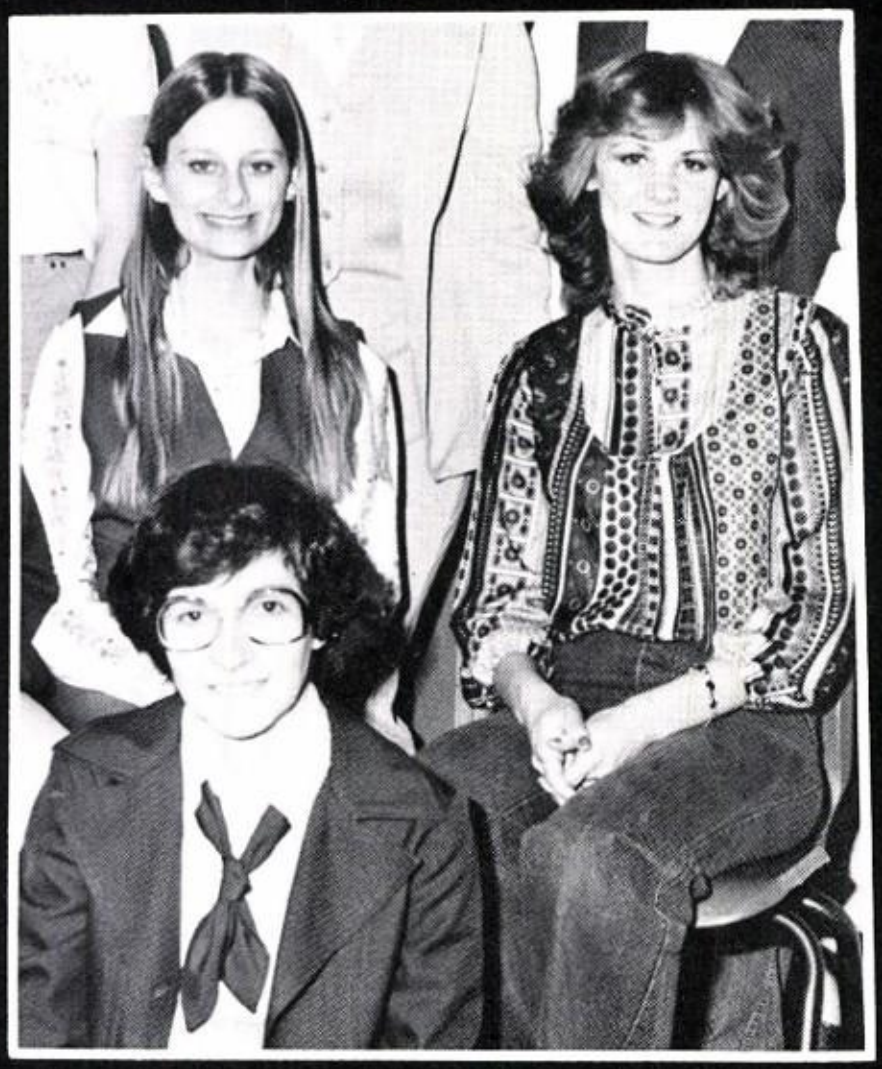
*Can it be that it was all so simple then, or has time rewritten ev'ry line?*

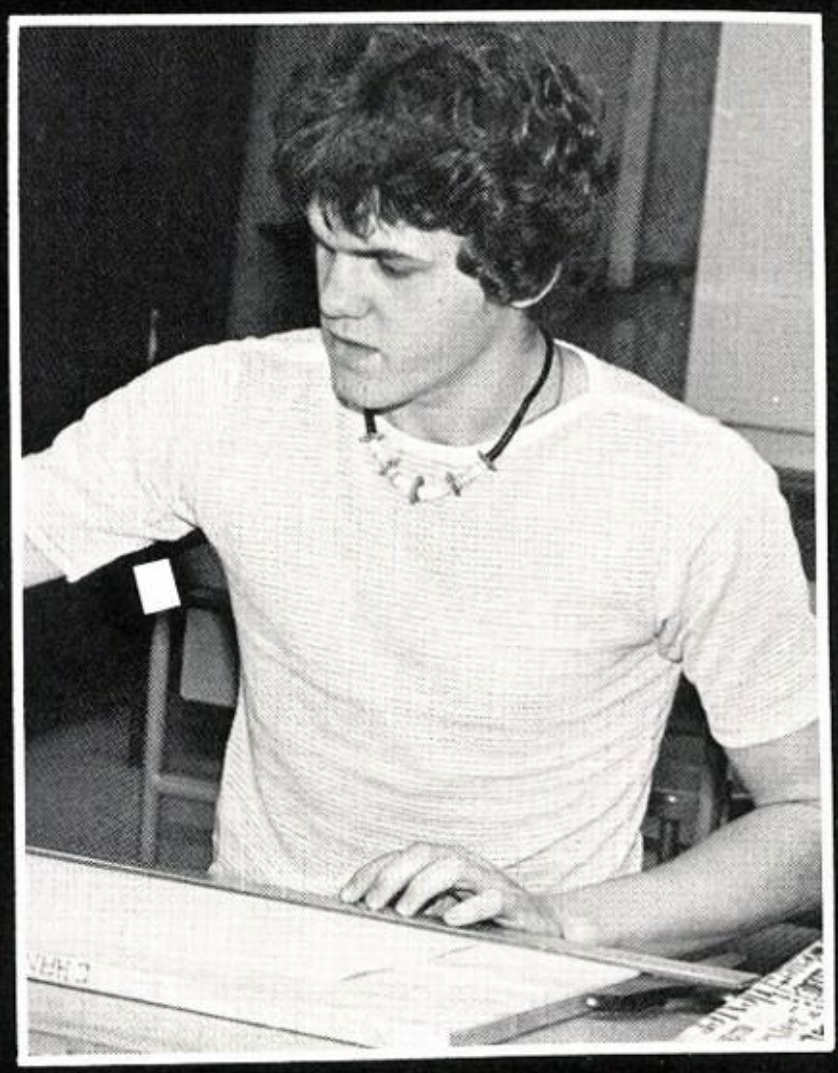


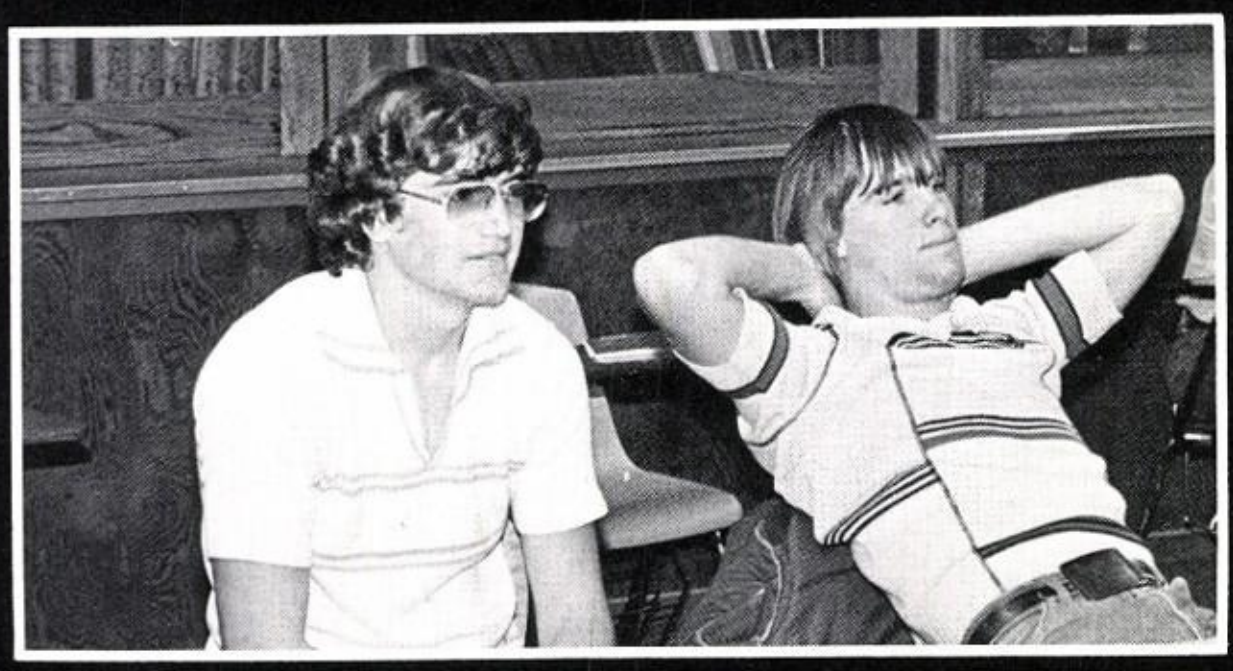
*If we had the chance to do it all again, tell me would we? could we?*

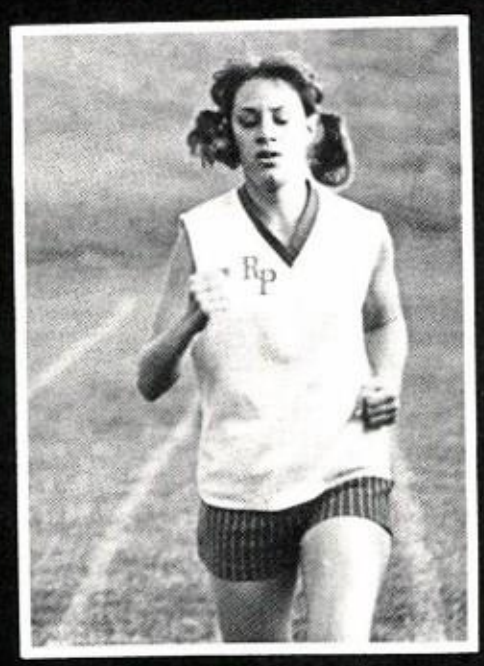


*Mem'ries may be beautiful*
*and yet, what's too painful*
*to remember, we simply*
*choose to forget.*









*So it's the laughter we*
*will remember, whenever we*
*remember the way we were;*
*The way we were.*

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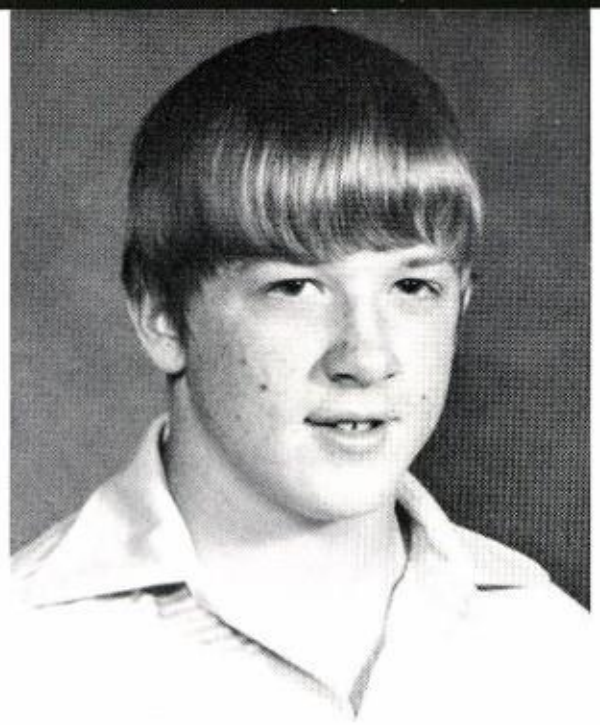
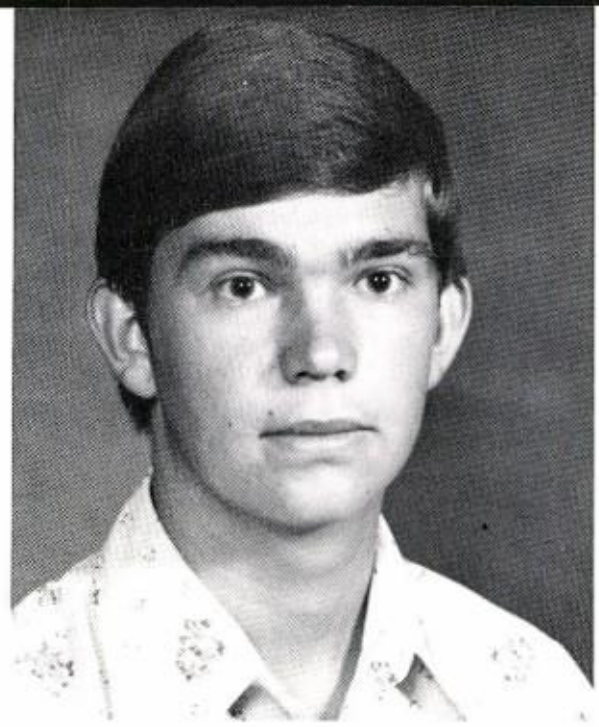


## Clay Ellison

David Clay Ellison was a freshman at RPHS when his life was taken in a sledding accident on January 16, 1979. Clay was born to L. E. and Shirley Ellison on February 7, 1964. The following poem "Friendship" was dedicated to Clay representing his friendship with all of us.

When Life has given all that it has to offer,
Then the gift of friendship will begin.
Through all the good times, and our bad times,
But especially through our losses.
When the love of those around us will surround our sorrows
and heal them . . . .



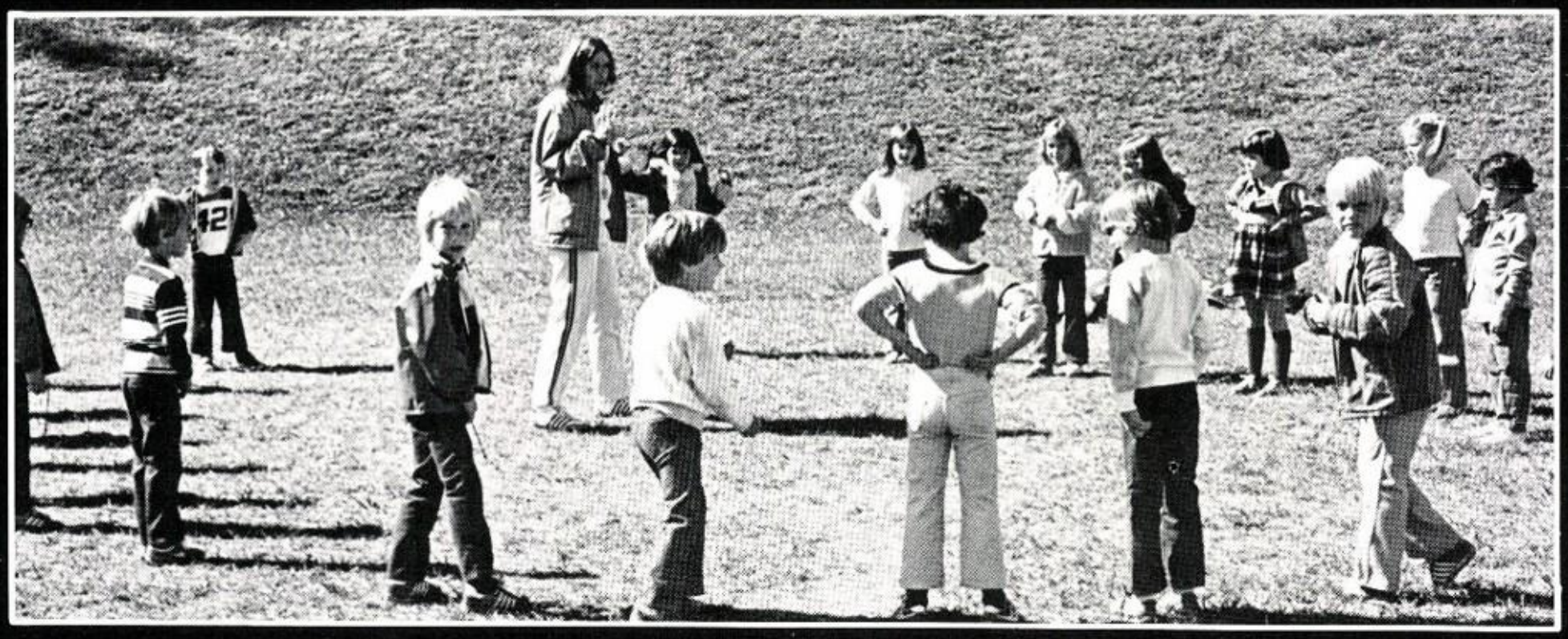
## Jim Kirk

Jimmie Dean Kirk, son of J.C. and Betty Kirk, was born on November 17, 1961. A junior of RPHS, Jimmie's life was taken when he drowned in the flood waters of the Nishnabotna River on March 20, 1979.

The following poem was written in honor of Jimmie by his sister, Diane Kirk Hargrave. Jimmie, the family baby, grew up to be a clown. He was always laughing, cutting up, and we never saw him frown. He made our lives so much richer, that it's hard to understand, why God took him so early, but it must be part of his plan. I figure God and Jimmie, have already been in cahoots. Jimmie's traded brass for the Pearly Gates and got a gold El Camino to boot. Now he's tooling it all over heaven, making the angels smile, Mimicking St. Peter, and Paul, and Luke, and doing it all with style. Yes, he's in a better world now, he was too precious for us to keep. He's thriving on those streets of gold, with all the "Number One's" he can eat. And if he could send us a message, through Western Union in the sky, He'd say, "Dear ones, I'm happier now, so please for my sake, don't cry."

## Mrs. Pat Lytle

Mrs. Patricia Lytle, teacher of Elementary Special Education, passed away of a heart attack on March 11, 1979. Mrs. Lytle attended Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts from 1950 to 1954 where she received her BS degree in education in June of 1954. Positions held by Mrs. Lytle in the past were; Social caseworker in Oklahoma from 1954 to 1955; elementary teacher in Chickashaw, Oklahoma from 1955 to 1956, in Los Angeles from 1956 to 1957 and in Rock Port from 1957 to 1960 and a teacher of Educable Mentally Retardation from 1967 until the time of her death. In 1967 Mrs. Lytle was nominated Outstanding Elementary Teacher. She was a member of Beta Zeta chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma of Delta State of Missouri, MSTA, Rock Port CTA, Art League, Council for Exceptional Children. Mrs. Lytle was deeply loved and appreciated and will be greatly missed.



# Elementary

*Life is a*
*great bundle*
*of*
*little things.*

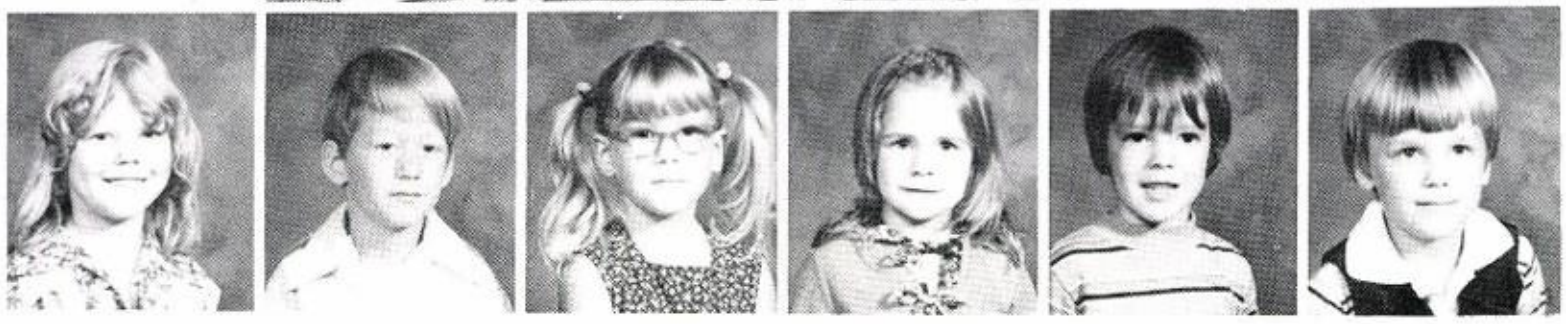
Danny Arnold
Leeja Arnold
Andy Bachle
Ken Bemberger
Terry Bennington
Joey Bradley

Traci Bryan
Kari Carpenter
Hilary Chastain
Robert Comstock
Kelly Davis
Jennifer Driskell

Roxie Ann Dyke
Lee Ebrecht
Tabatha Esser
Dustin Gallentine
Noe Garcia
Johnny Giesken

Tami Grossman
Gregory Gubser
Ronald Guyer
Misty Harbin
Eric Henderson
Marcie Hill

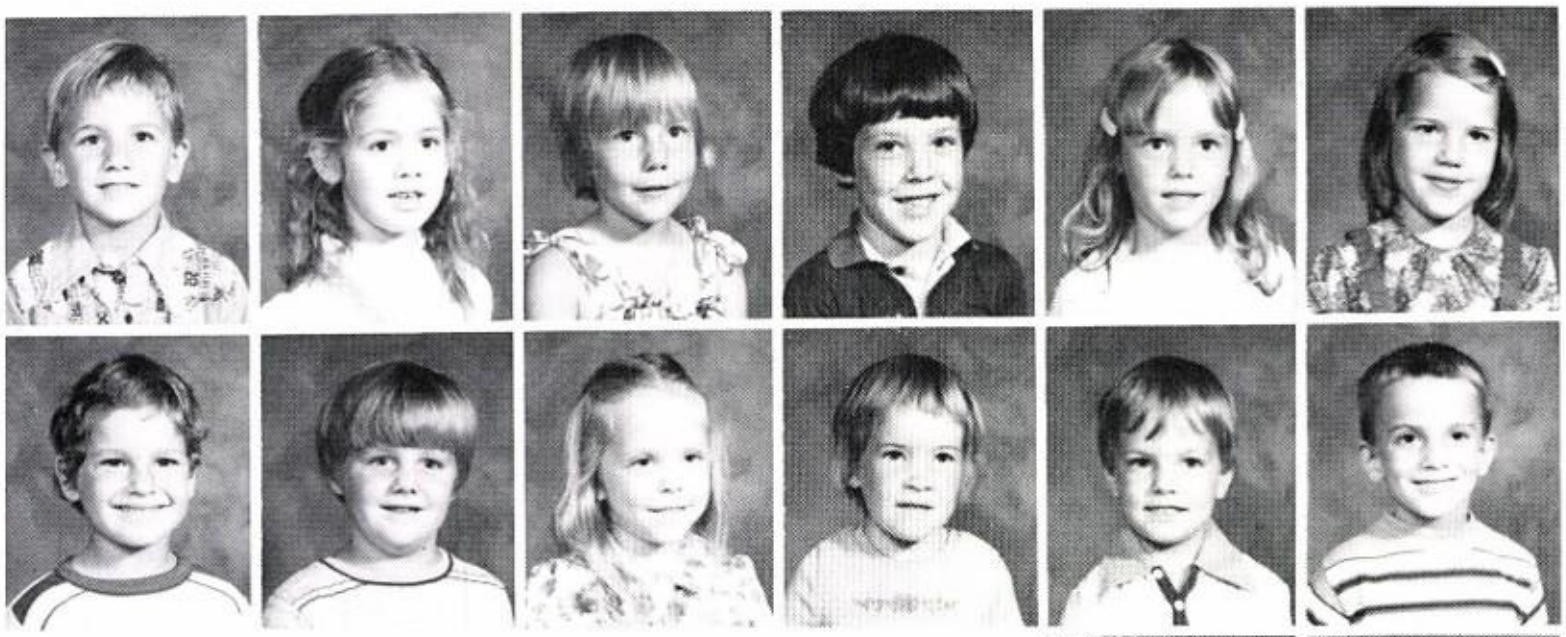
Jennifer Hodge
Leo Holmes
Stephanie Horning
Dawn Howard
Jeremy Hughes
Joey Hunter



Eric practices his t's.

# A Giant Step Forward

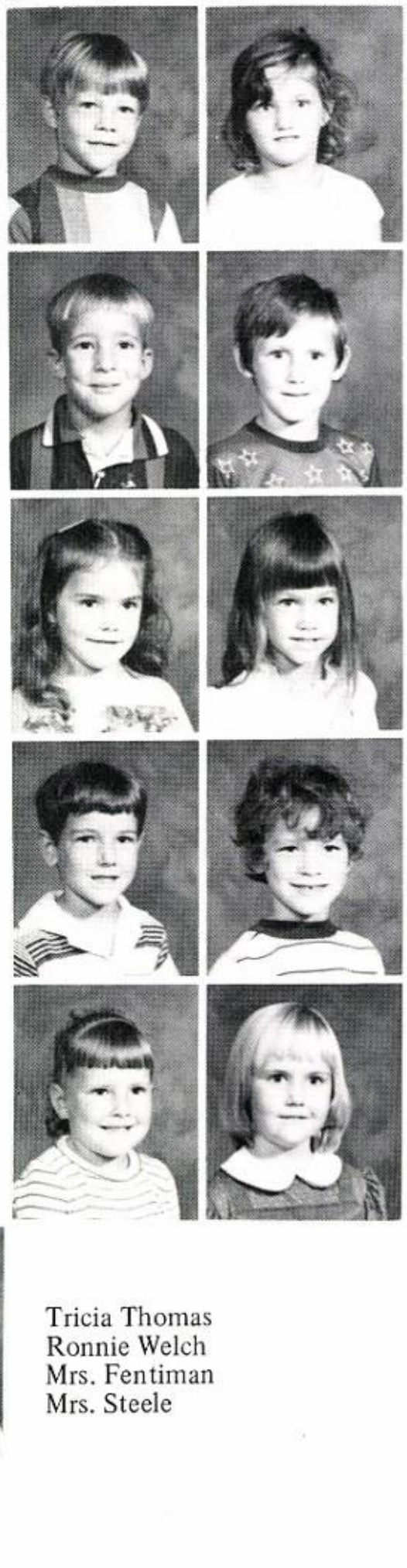
Kindergarten, the beginning of formal education, is a great step for five year olds. Science, mathematics, reading readiness, writing and social studies are presented to the little ones. All of these subjects are made interesting by the use of large inflatable dolls, films, records, puppets and games. The children learn by feeling, tasting, smelling, watching and listening. Every special occasion is used to make a lasting learning experience with the help of Mrs. Charlene Steele and Mrs. Suzanne Fentiman.



Michael Kennedy
Erin Koch
Wendy Lane
Jeremy Lewis
Amy Lininger
Lois McCoy

Jeffery McGranahan
Brandon Morgan
Lisa Mulvania
Jennifer Nostrant
Ryan Ottmann
Chasity Parks

Mrs. Steele helps Leeja study.



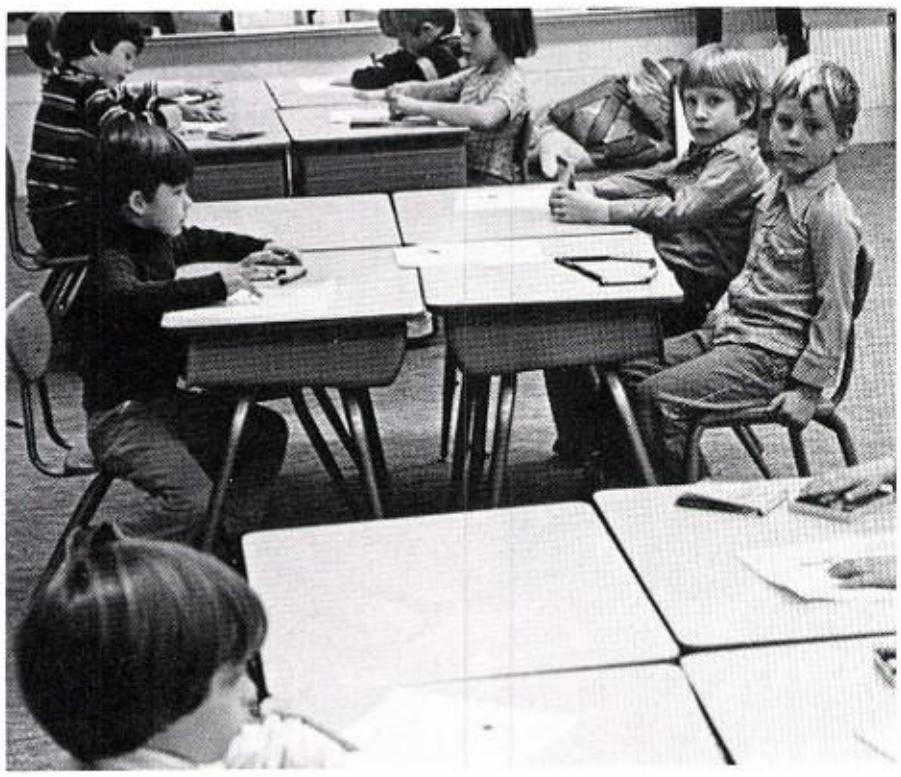
J.B. Pearce
Matthew Pierce

Shawn Powell
Brian Roach

Carrie Rosenbohm
Shelley Runkles

Charles Salfrank
Michael Schlup

Angela Schrader
Abby Smith



Kindergarteners enjoy free time.

Tricia Thomas
Ronnie Welch
Mrs. Fentiman
Mrs. Steele

Michelle Bennington
Gary Bolin
Monique Brewer
Kenneth Bryant
Matt Burke
Heather Culjat

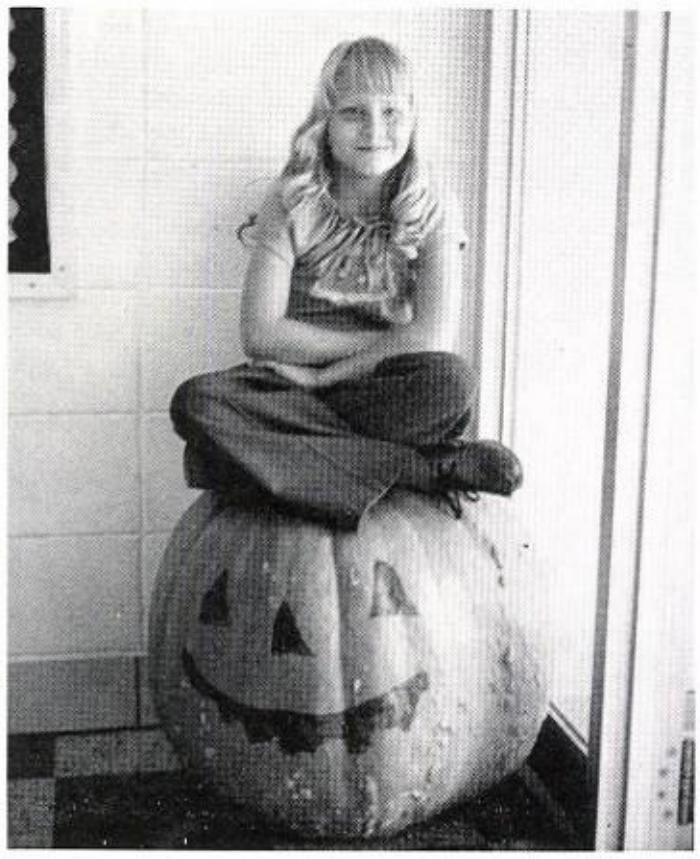
Brigitte Davis
Sabrina Ebrecht
Michelle Finch
Shannon Fischer
Sarah Gaines
Tommy Gilliland

Kelley Herron
Kymm Herron
Shawn Herron

Kimberly Hines
Scott Holmes
John Hudson

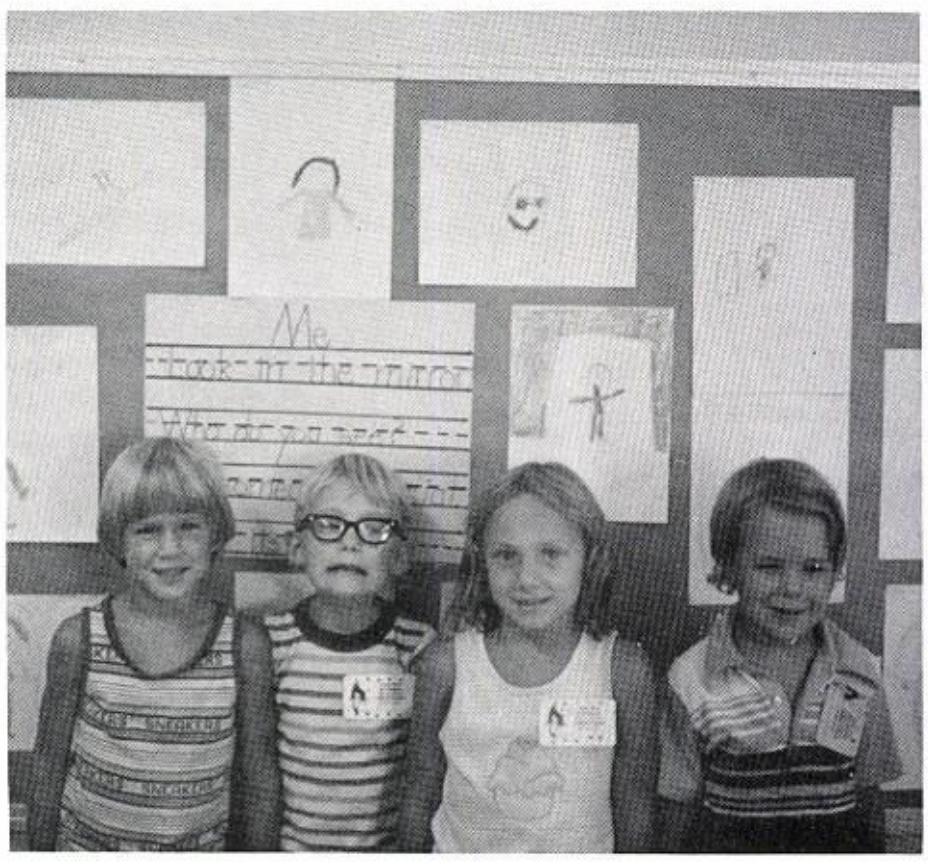
Tricia Ingram
Jeri Jensen
Kirby Kerr

I knew I should have been home at midnight.



Child of the week project.

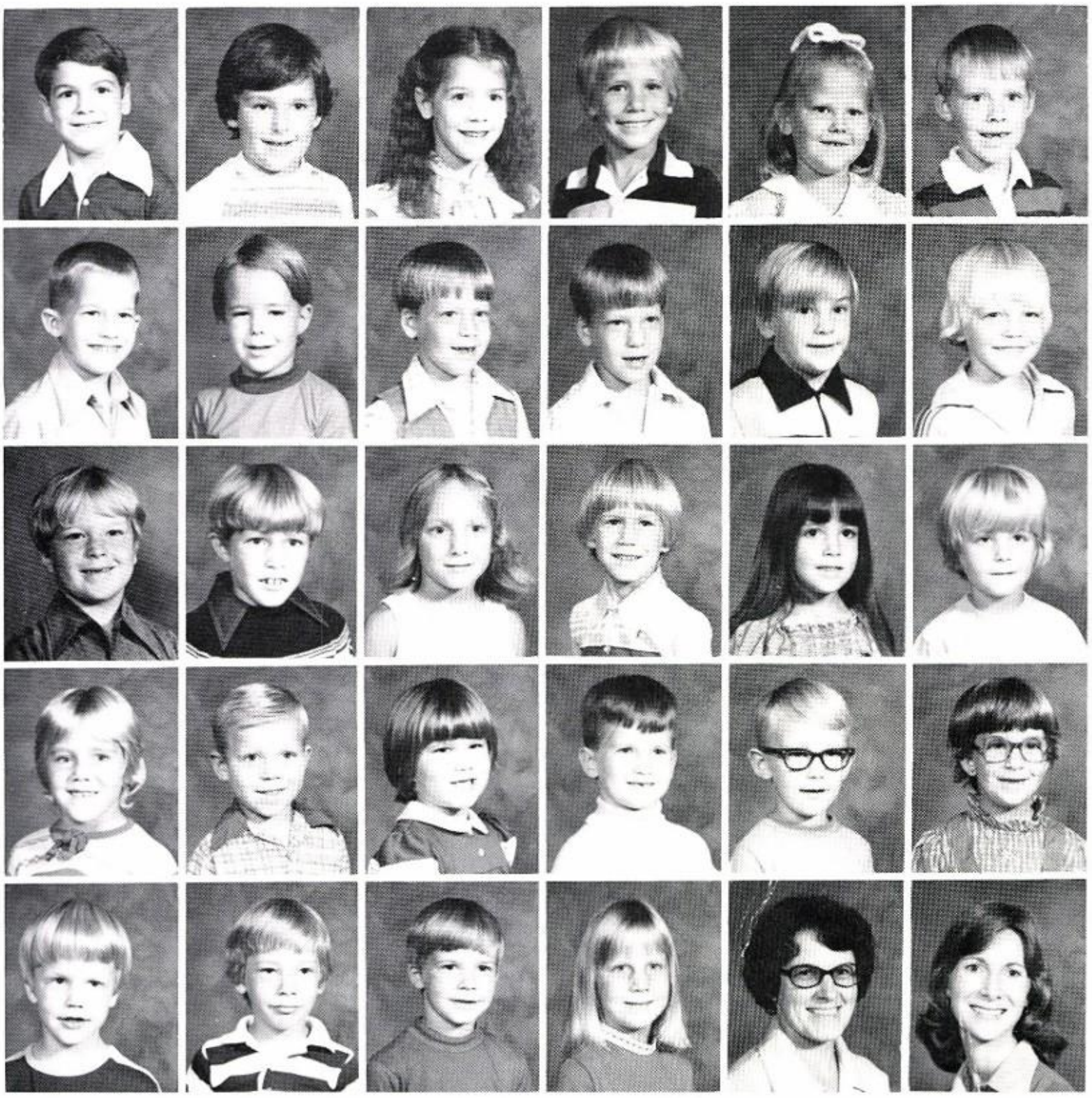
Me, who do you see?



# Exploring New Horizons

Getting ready for PE.

The first graders have met a big challenge learning how to read, add and subtract this year. They have also eagerly learned letter sounds, how to write letters, words, and sentences neatly. They have studied about animals, weather, space, maps, other countries, and holiday customs. The use of games, art activities, and group discussions has made learning more fun. First Graders were taught by Mrs. Mary Bryan, Mrs. Deanna Whitford and Mrs. Cheri Zimmerman.



Richard Kingery
Benny Kirk
Melissa Kock
Trent LaHue
Kimberly Lane
Phillip Lininger

Daniel Lucas
Adam Meyer
Kevin Moody
Scott Moody
Brandon Oswald
Shane Ottmann

Gary Pfeil
George Radtke
Michelle Remick
David Rosenbohm
Stacie Savala
Kevin Schomburg

Terry Schoonover
Terry Schramm
Jennifer Stephens
Gary Stoner
Thimothy Stout
Kimberly Thomas

Nathan Tiemeyer
Michael Vance
Ronald Wedel
Shelli Welch
Mrs. Bryan
Mrs. Whitford

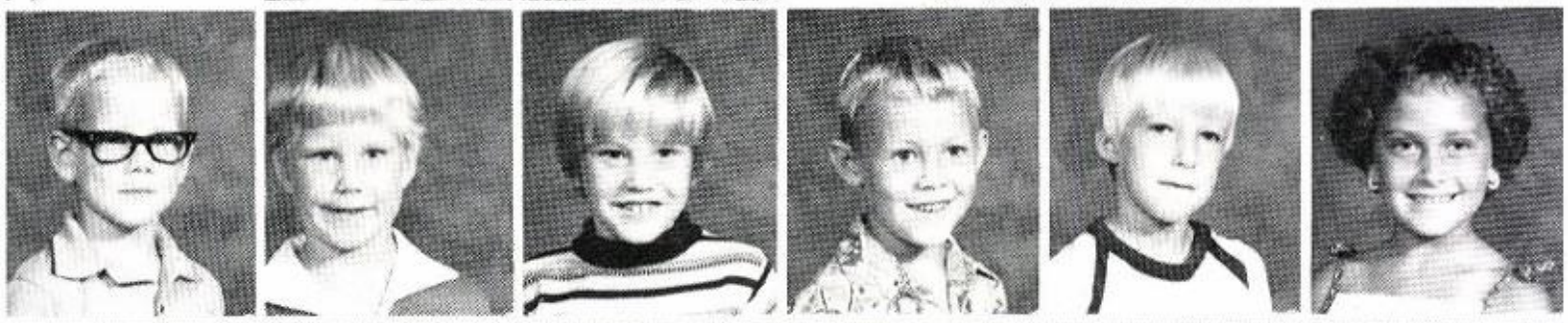
Craig Abbott
Tammy Andrew
Melonie Baldwin
Marla Beasing
Lanie Bendon
Ricky Bradley

Aree Bly
Jason Burke
Hallie Case
Crystal Coffee
Susan Danley
Rhonda Daugherty

Electa Davis
Tracy Davis
Bret Deardorff
Phyllis Duren
Julie Ellenburg
Chris Freeman

Stephen Gaines
Karin Gilbertson
Christy Harmon
Robert Harris
Lori Hartman
Todd Hays

Matthew Hickey
Michelle Hickey
Bobby Holley
Billy Hulett
Travis Husing
Jamie Irvine



Wendy Kerr
Denise Kirby
Woody Kirk
Linda Krajewski
Gail Kuhns
Randall Larson

Rae Ann Lininger
Robbie Lipham

Stephanie Lisle
Toby Lutz

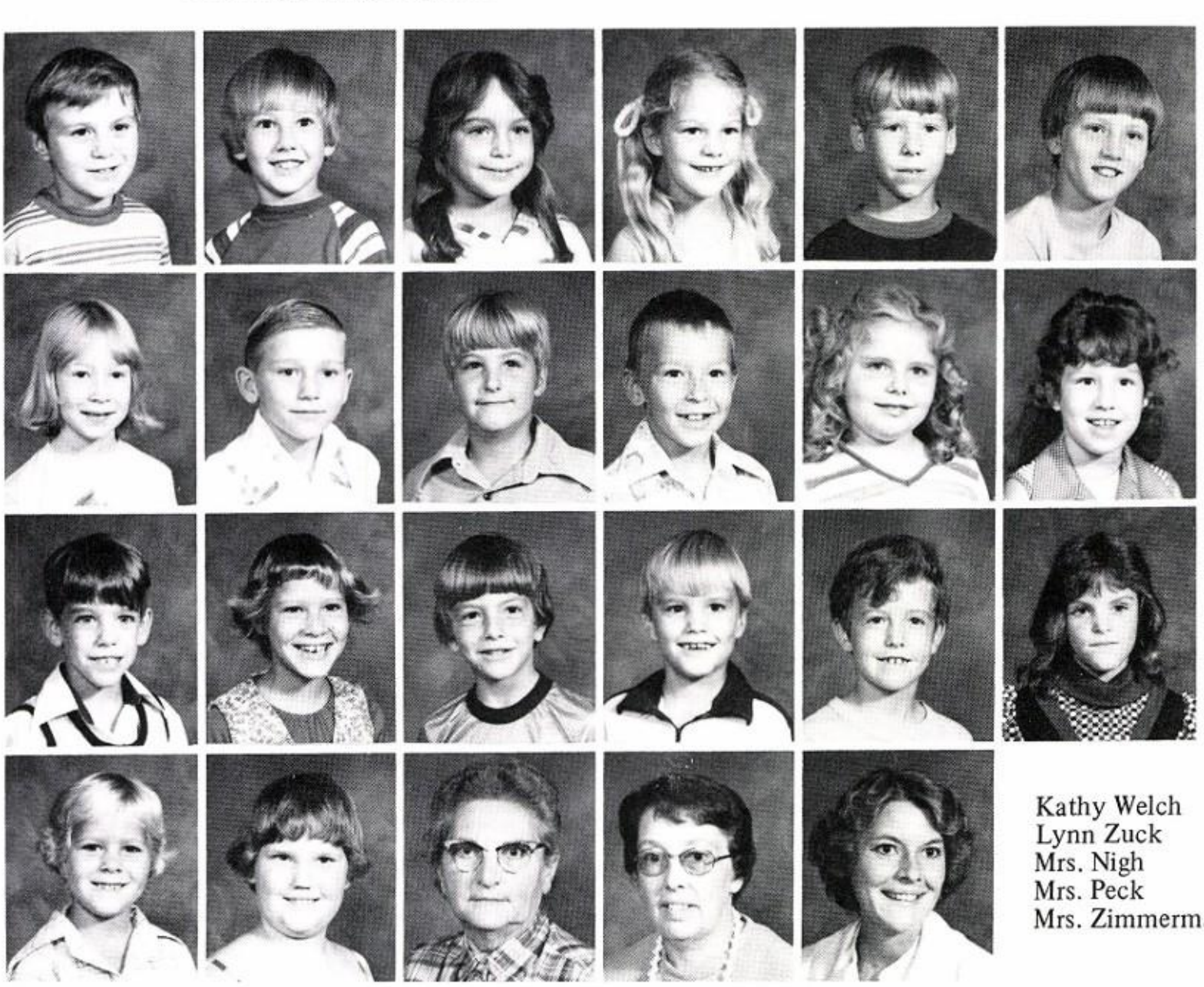
I think I've got it!

Relaxing during storytime.

# Step'n Up

Second Graders not only worked hard to improve language, reading, and math skills including a study of metrics, but also had fun using the learning centers in their rooms.

Some of the highlights of the year were riding on the fire truck, the trips to the Atchison County Library to learn more about the library and its use, the stories told by Miss Proper, Grandparents Day, parties given by the room mothers, and joining the Weekly Reader Writer Pals. Second Graders were taught by Mrs. Jane Nigh, Mrs. Dorothy Peck, and Mrs. Cheri Zimmerman.



Chester Morgason
Roy Munsey
Kerri Dawn Muntz
Stacy Ottmann
Greg Pankau
Ray Parks

Lydia Pfeil
Bobby Powers
Tony Ranner
James Rightsell
Jennifer Rosenbohm
Alisa Simpson

David Squires
Jodi Swofford
Jerry Thomas
Nick Trainor
Billy Walker
Sandie Watson

Kathy Welch
Lynn Zuck
Mrs. Nigh
Mrs. Peck
Mrs. Zimmerman

Robert Barnhart
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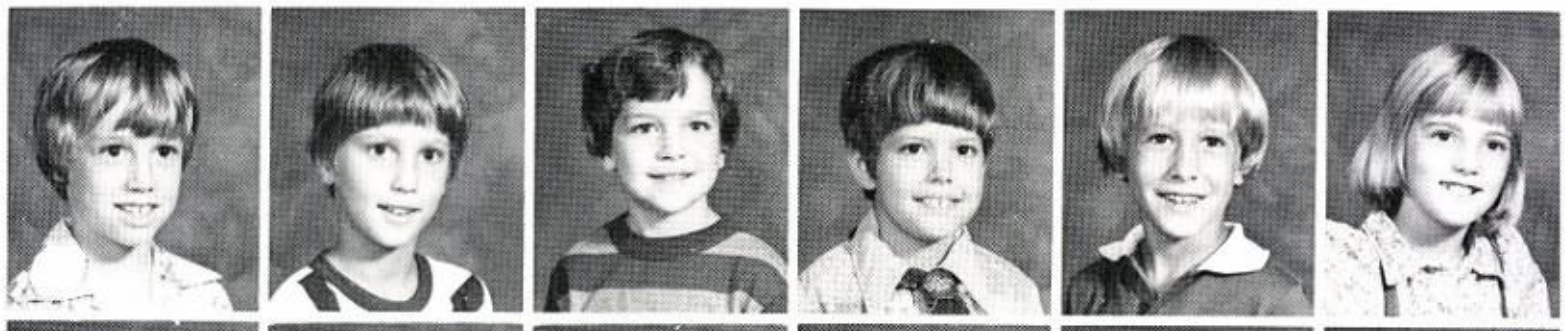
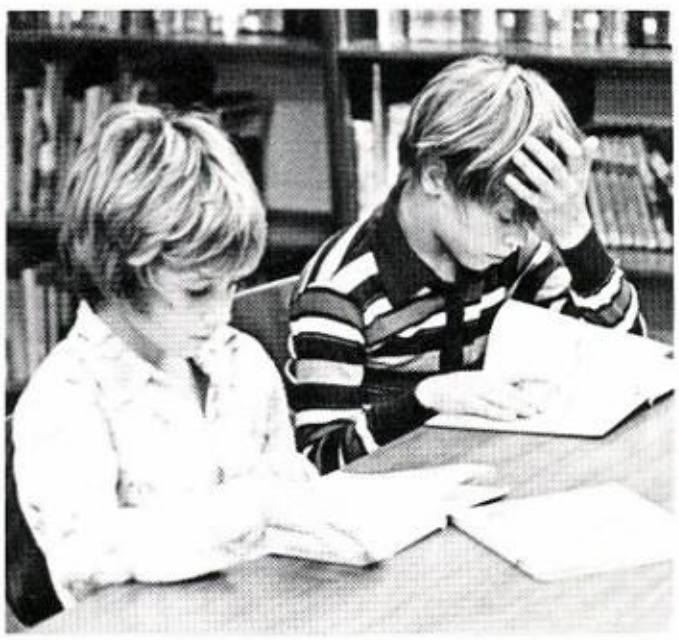
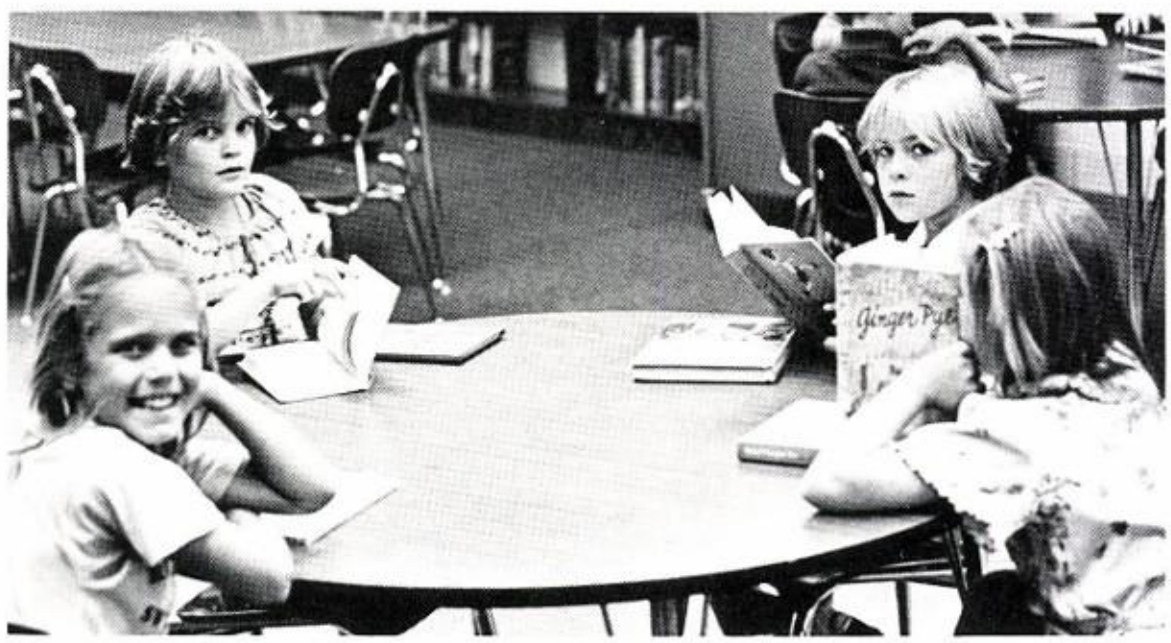
Michael Bennington
Lars Bly
Randall Boatman
Michelle Brewer



Raymond Chastain
Kevin Christian
Tracey Duren
Jason Garst
Nikki Gayler
Joe Graham



The students enjoy the library.



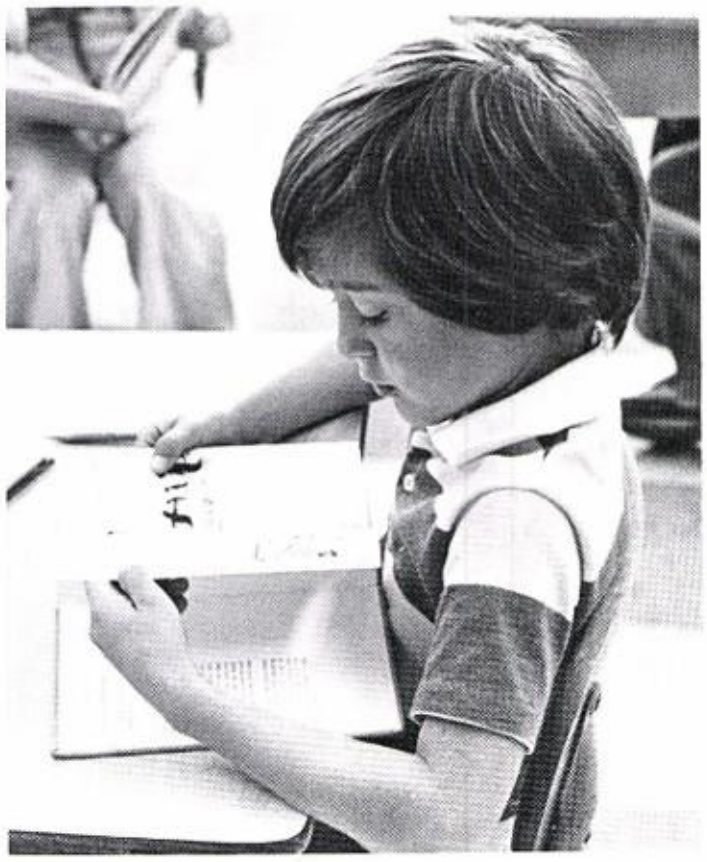
Learning in the library.

Phillip Harmon
Tony Haynes
Corey Herron
Cory Hill
Laurie Howard
Roy Ingram

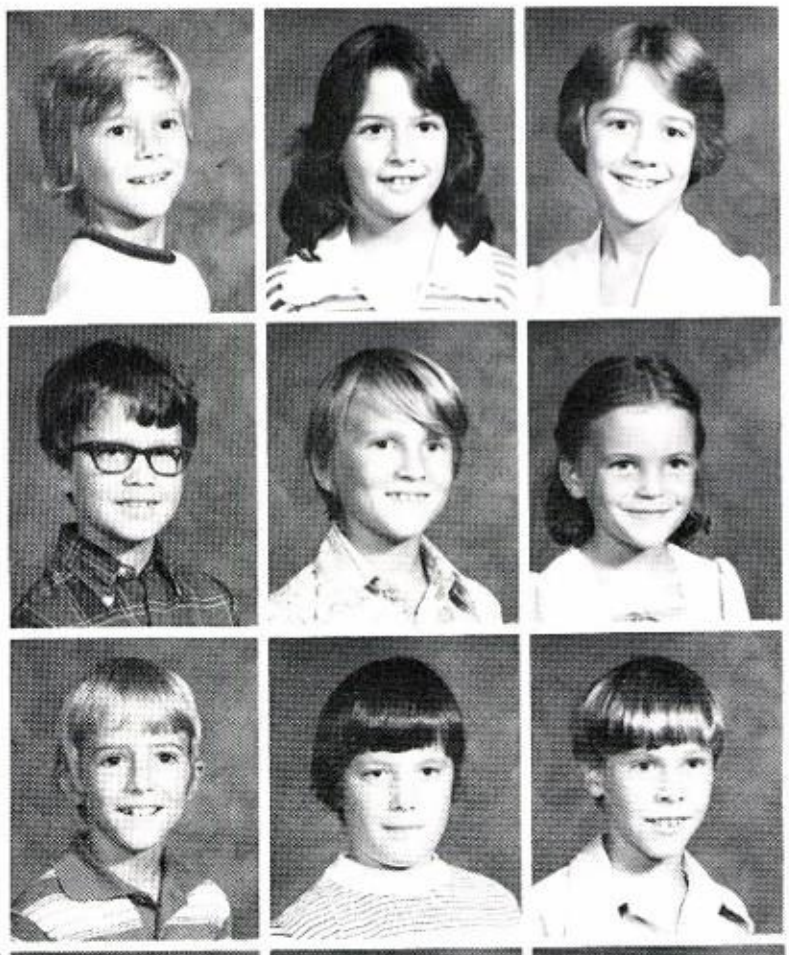
Third Graders show off their work.

# Learning Fast

It has been a big step for those students entering the Third Grade. The year has been filled with learning and experiencing many new things. The third graders are introduced to multiplication and division for the first time. To them it is something very new and challenging. At this level they change from manuscript to cursive writing. In language they also spend a lot of time studying capital letters, forms of punctuation, the parts of a sentence, and word usage. While in social studies they concentrate on the study of different communities. Instructors for the Third Grade were Mrs. Doris Kirby and Mrs. Marge Gilbertson.



Timmy looks at the pictures.



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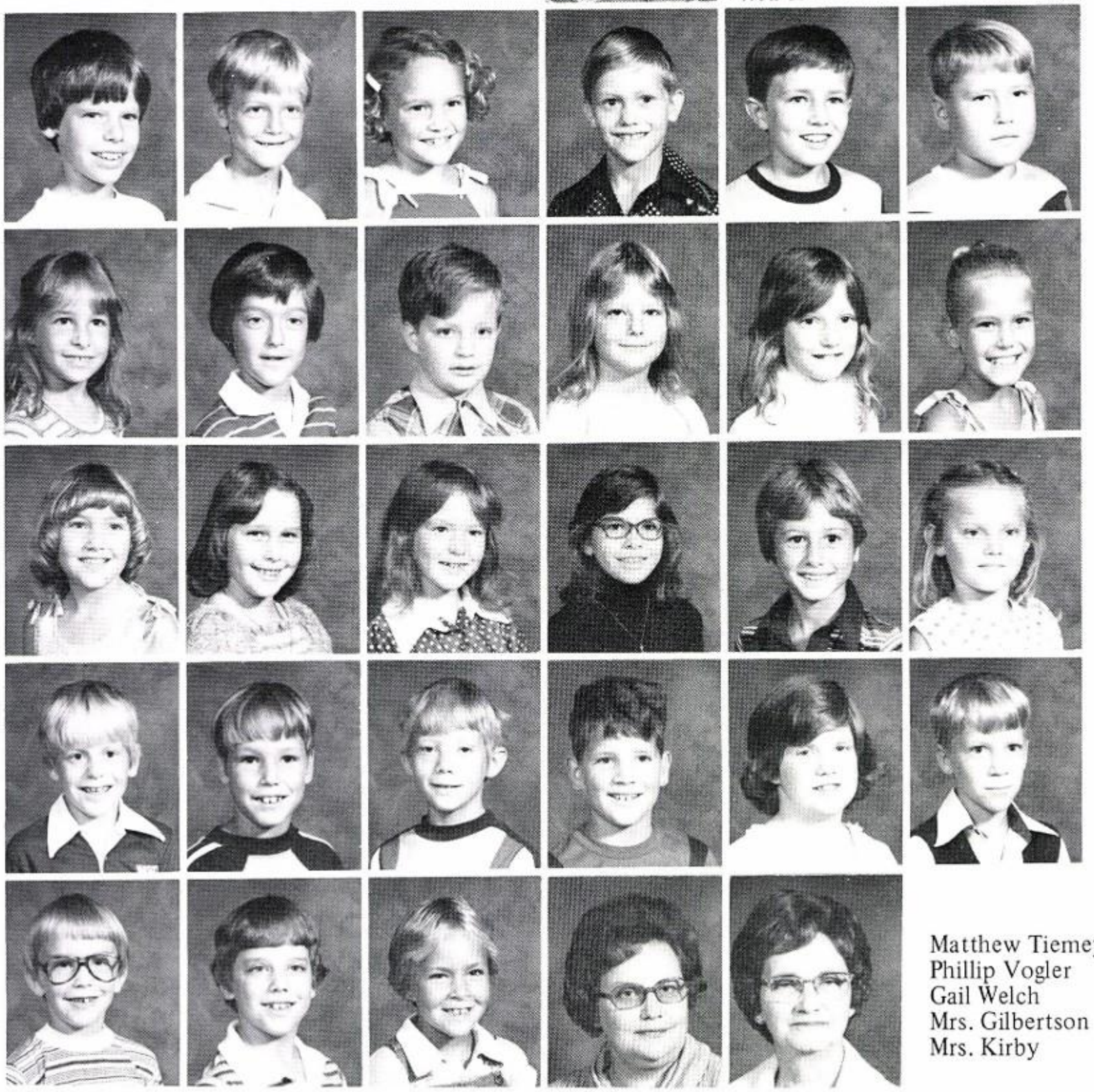
Heather Koch

John Krajewski
Robby Kroll
Vicki Kroll

Jeff Kuhns
Kevin Lane
Steven Lann



Mike Lewis
David Lininger
Theresa Lininger
Charlie Maddox
Michael McKenney
Leonard Meek

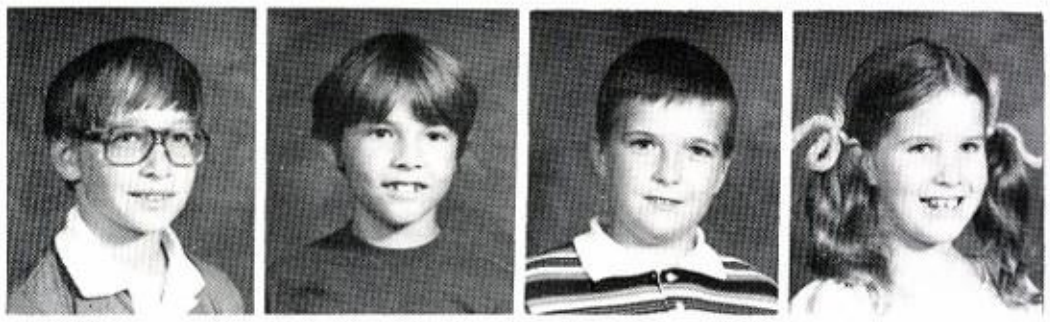
Heather Miles
Timothy Muntz
Earl Neemann
Shauna Ottmann
Brenda Parks
Cathy Patterson

Julie Pearce
Sandra Perry
Sandra Pfeil
Melissa Powers
Terry Roach
Teresa Schramm

Greg Shallenberger
Chris Shue
Kim Smith
Gene Stoner
Teresa Stoner
Thomas Squires

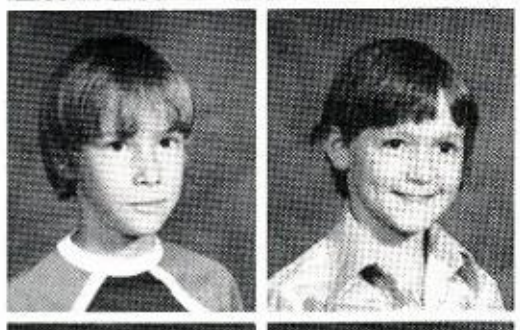
Matthew Tiemeyer
Phillip Vogler
Gail Welch
Mrs. Gilbertson
Mrs. Kirby

Eric Abbott
Harvey Andresen
Jeffrey Batson
Christy Burke

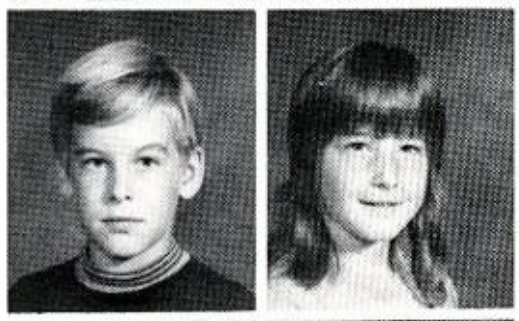


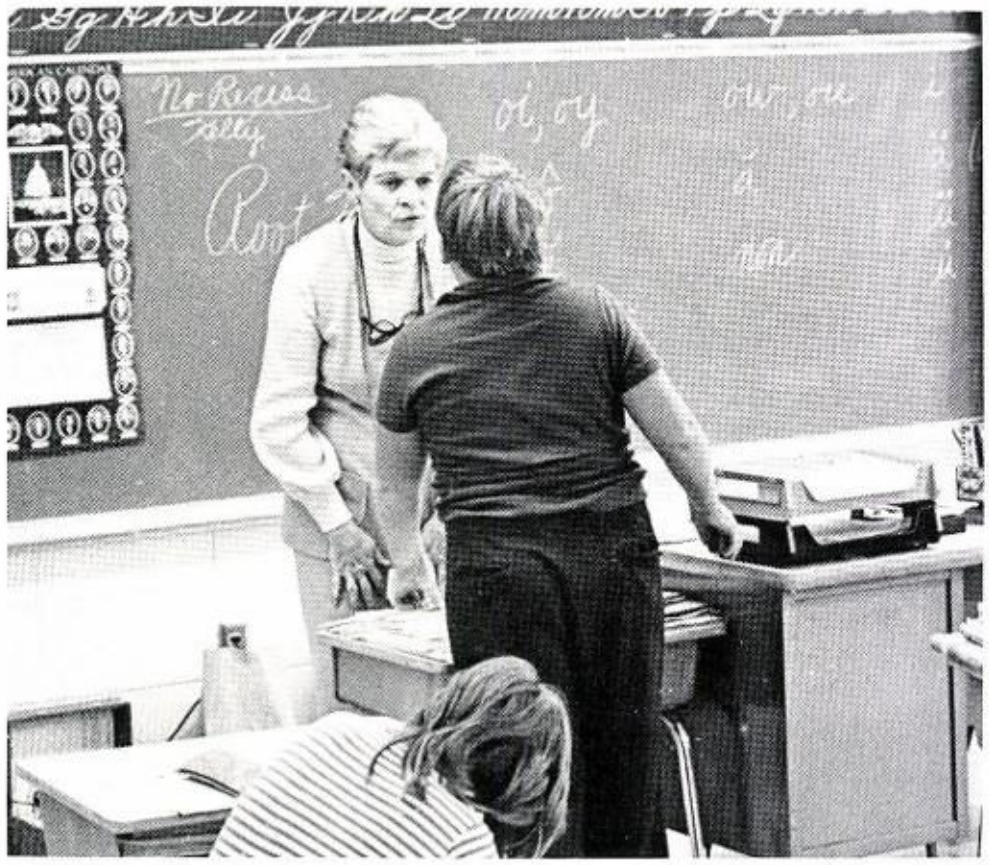
Buffy Case
Shelly Chastain

Karl Curfman
Larry Daugherty



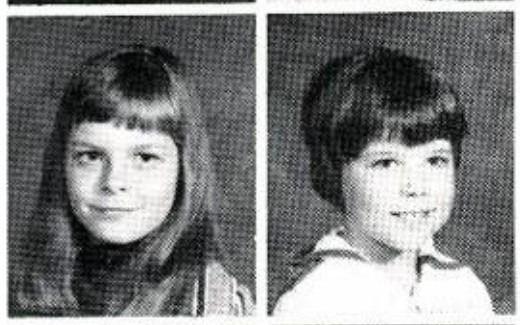
Michael Daugherty
Cynthia Driskell



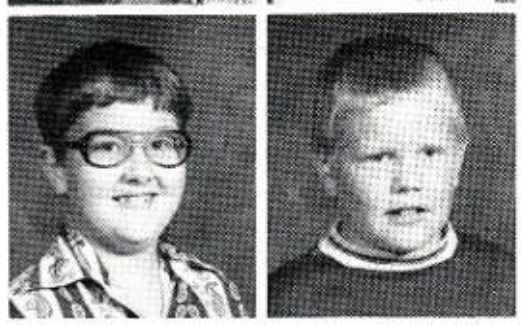


Mrs. Reid explains assignment.

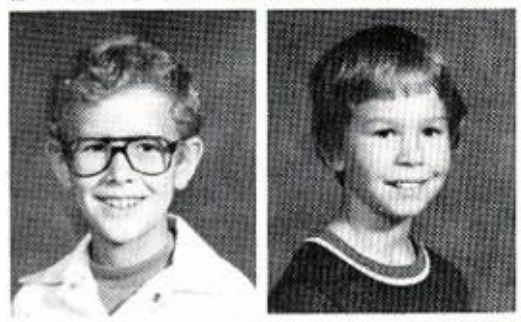
Deanna Eagans
Sandi Foster

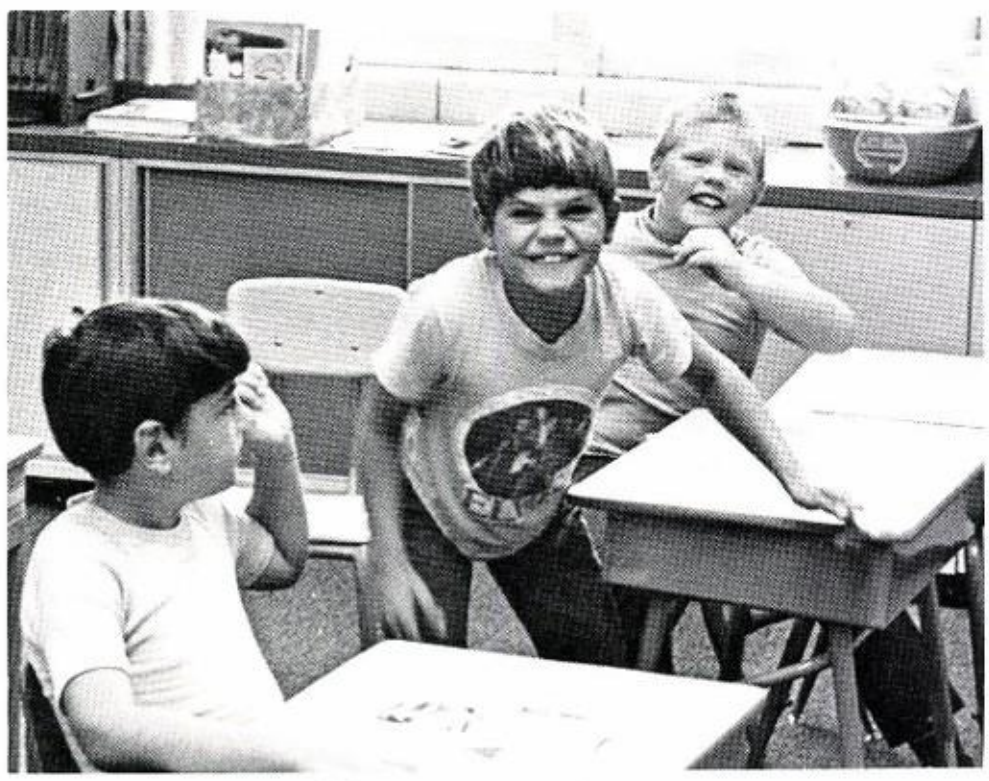


Kevin Hawk
Patrick Hickey



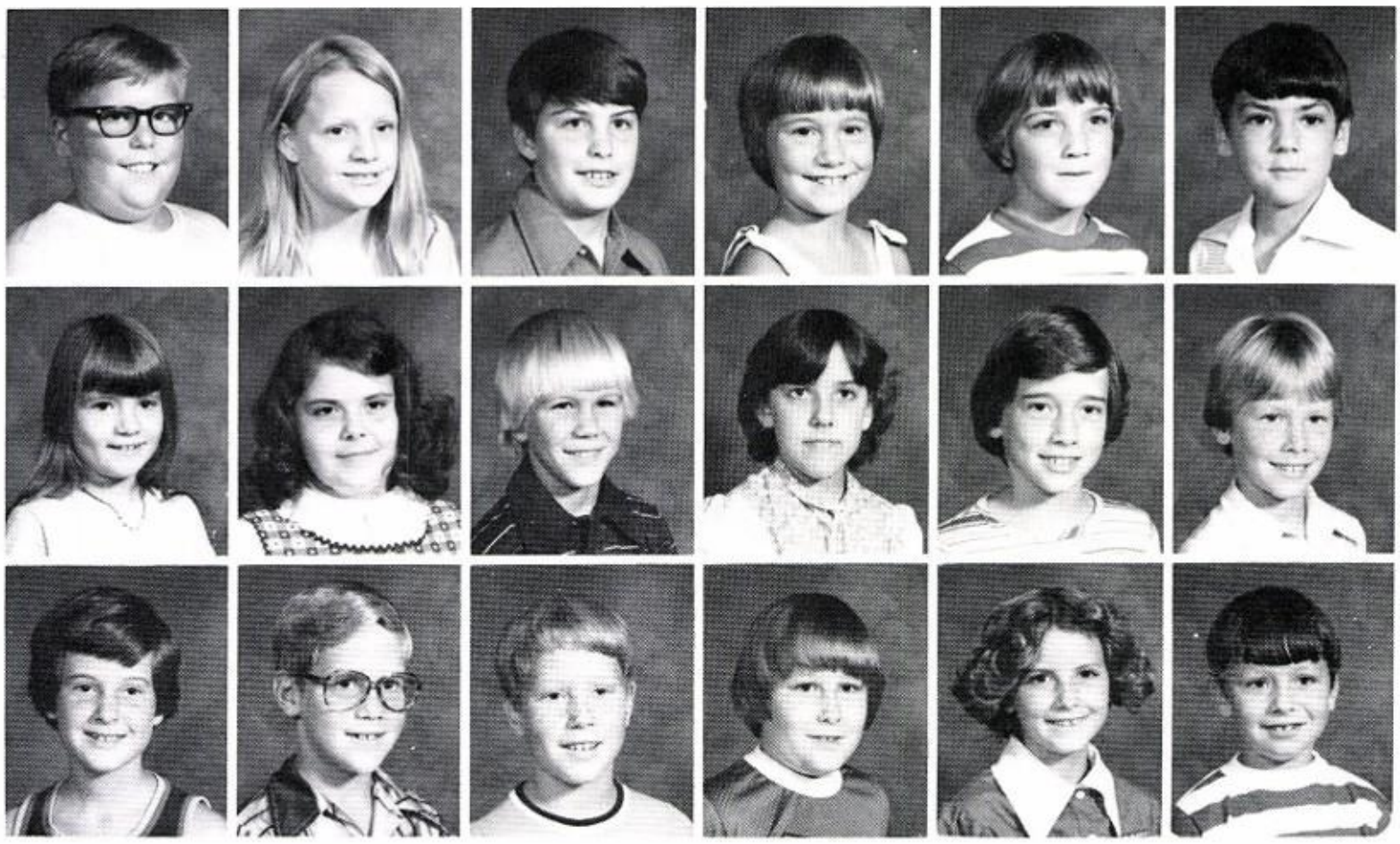
Patrick Holmes
Amy Horning





The mean guys of the class.

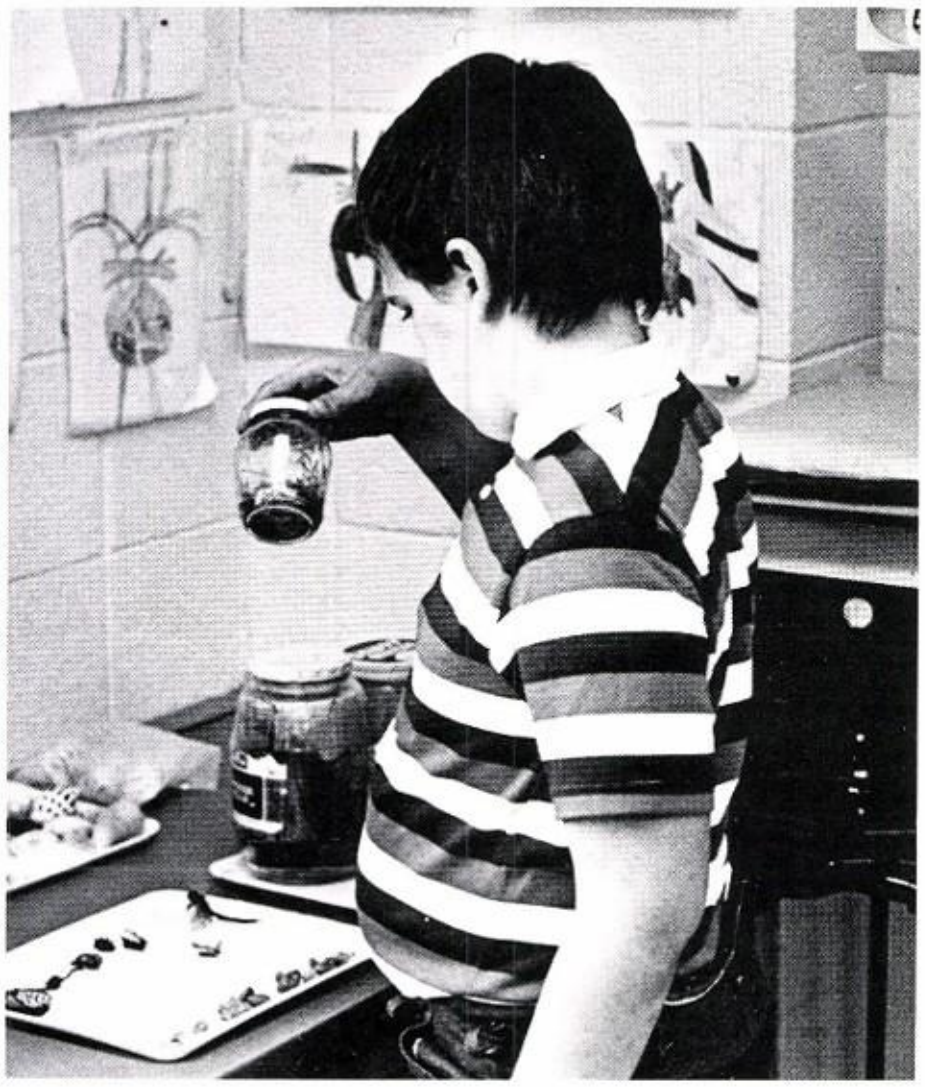
James Jensen
Brian Kelly
Scott Lane
Tammy Lewis
Kenny Lansdown
Kellie Maifeld



Terry McIntosh
Sally Neemann
Timothy Oswald
Kelly Powell
Carl Powers
Michael Remick

Wendy Renken
Marlena Rosenbohm
Stephen Rosenbohm
Jodie Sabo
Stephanie Scamman
Todd Scamman

Marjorie Schierkolk
Scotty Schoonover
Cory Shue
Curtis Siddens
Kirsten Stites
Billy Bob Thomas



Observing the specimens.

# Movin' on Up

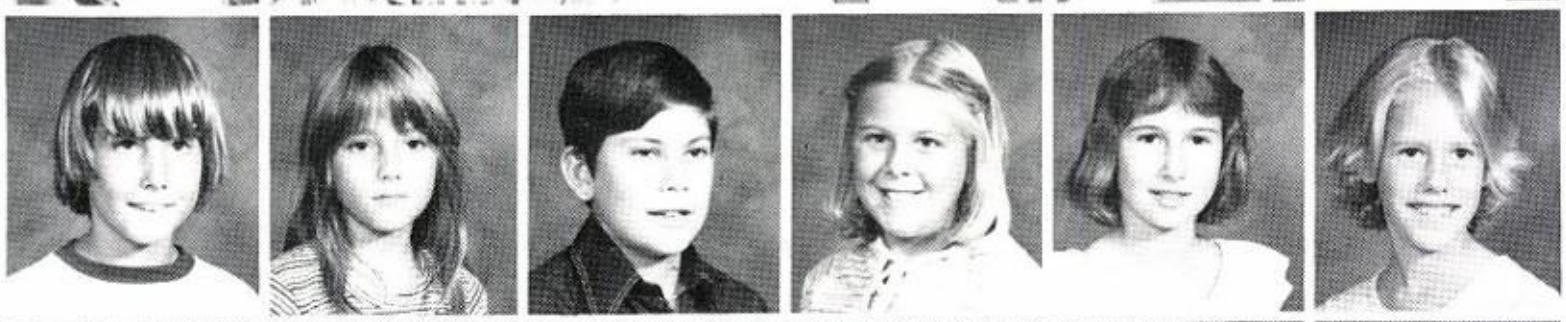
This year the Fourth Grade teacher-pupil ratio was comparatively low. However, the students still had many activities to keep the year busy.

Early in the fall helium-filled balloons with their class name and address attached were launched in hope that someone would find them and write back. The classes also studied various desert areas of the world and added a number of words to their vocabularies. The science unit they enjoyed the most was a study of magnetism and electricity. Many experiments were done, and the students had lots of fun "re-discovering" electricity. Fourth Grade Teachers were Mrs. Maradi Mifflin and Mrs. LaVona Reid.

Melissa Watson
Tammy Zach
Mrs. Mifflin
Mrs. Reid

Jodi Barnhart
Aaron Case
Cynthia Catlett
Jeffery Cooper
Kelly Daugharty
Toni Deering

Scott Driskell
Amy Esser
Daniel Gardner
Amy Garst
Anna Gibson
Bonnie Giesken



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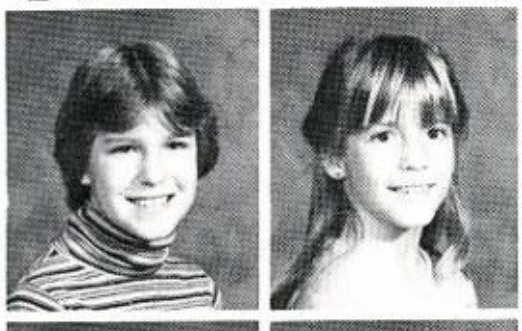
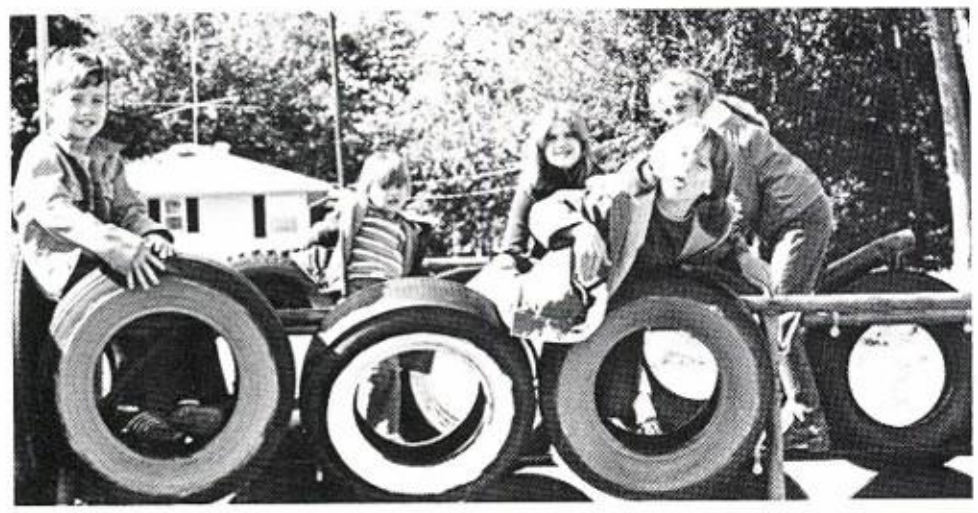
Harland Gilmore
Michael Hartman
Kelley Hays
Alan Herron
Todd Herron

Thea Herron
Julie Holmes





A new way to play.

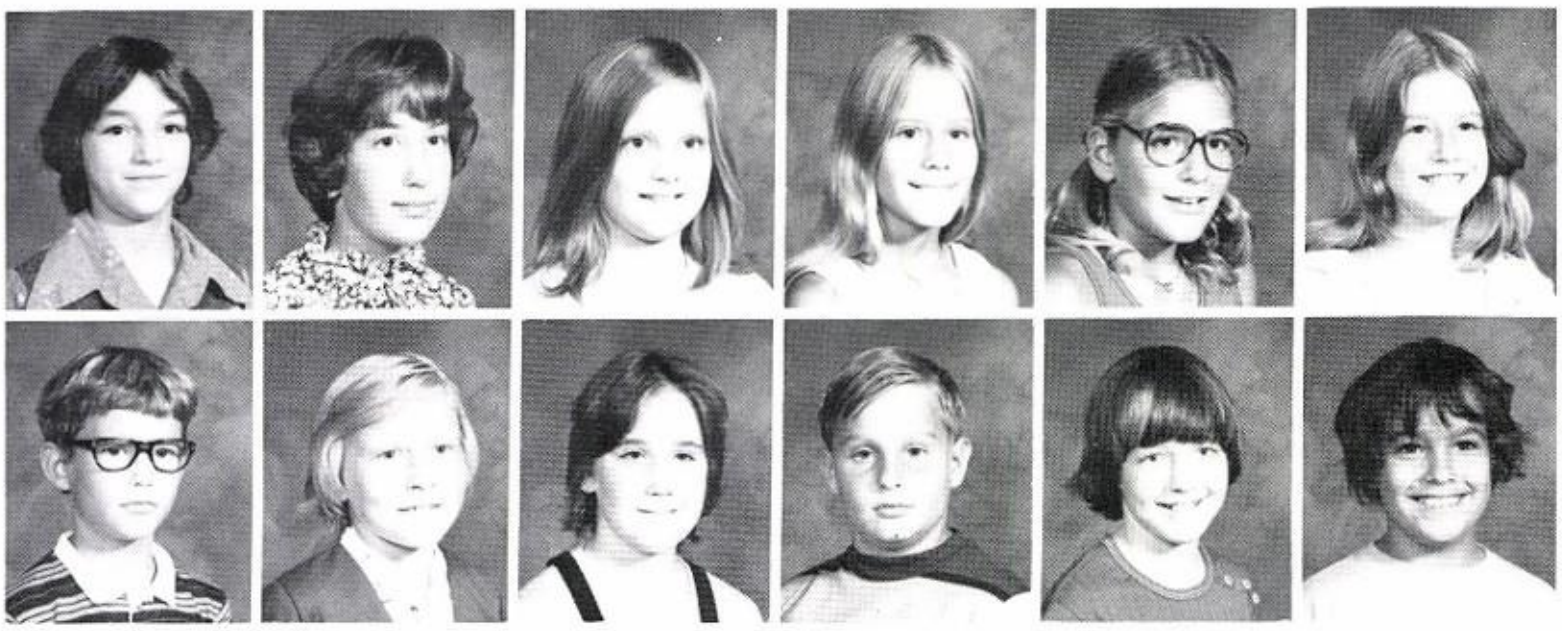
Jana Hughes
Shawn Hurst

Jacquelin Ingram
Martin Johnson

Gang way!

Alan Kerr
Todd King

Todd Kroll
Tasha LaHue
Miles Leisman
Randoll Lininger
Tina McKibben
Timothy Minter



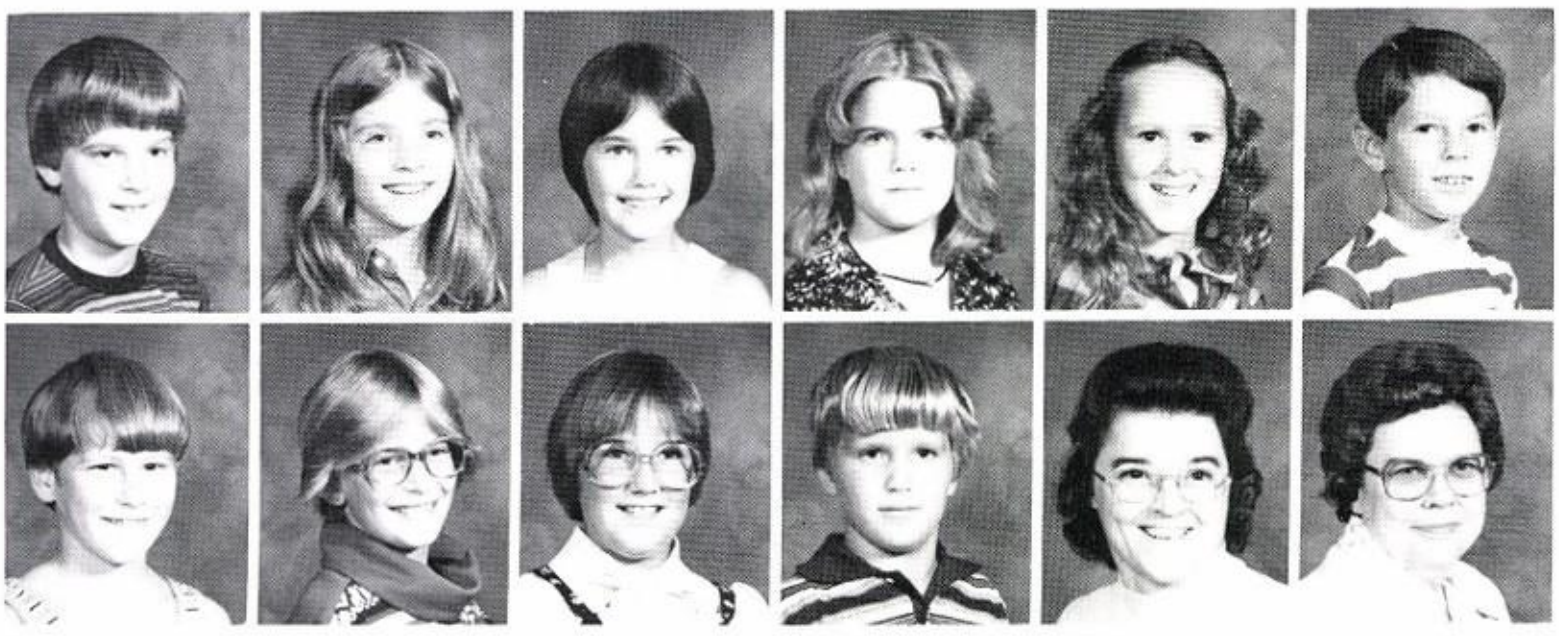
Hazel Morgason
Renee Munsey
Betty Neeman
Telisa Pankau
Lori Patterson
Dierdre Peterson

Robert Phillips
Stephanie Powers
Holly Robinson
Charles Rosenboom
Jlee Sauter
Bryon Savala

Take it easy!

# *Looking to Tomorrow*

The fifth graders are taught by Mrs. Wilma Moe and Mrs. Dorthy Pierce. In addition to the basic math, reading, writing, science, social studies, and English, the fifth graders learn to add and subtract fractions, they studied about the economy, and history of the United States.



Darren Schierkolk
Julia Schlup
Jo Stoner
Shelly Stoner
Sabrine Swofford
Richard Sybert

Brian Thompson
April Tudor
Michelle Welch
Matthew Wilczek
Mrs. Moe
Mrs. Pierce

Joy Adamson
Pat Alley
Venus Batson
Gina Bemberger
Staci Bennington
Gary Boatman

Betty Bowers
Tammy Bradley

David Burke
Brenda Danley

Chris Davis
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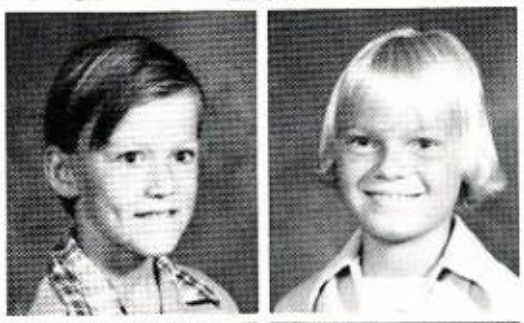
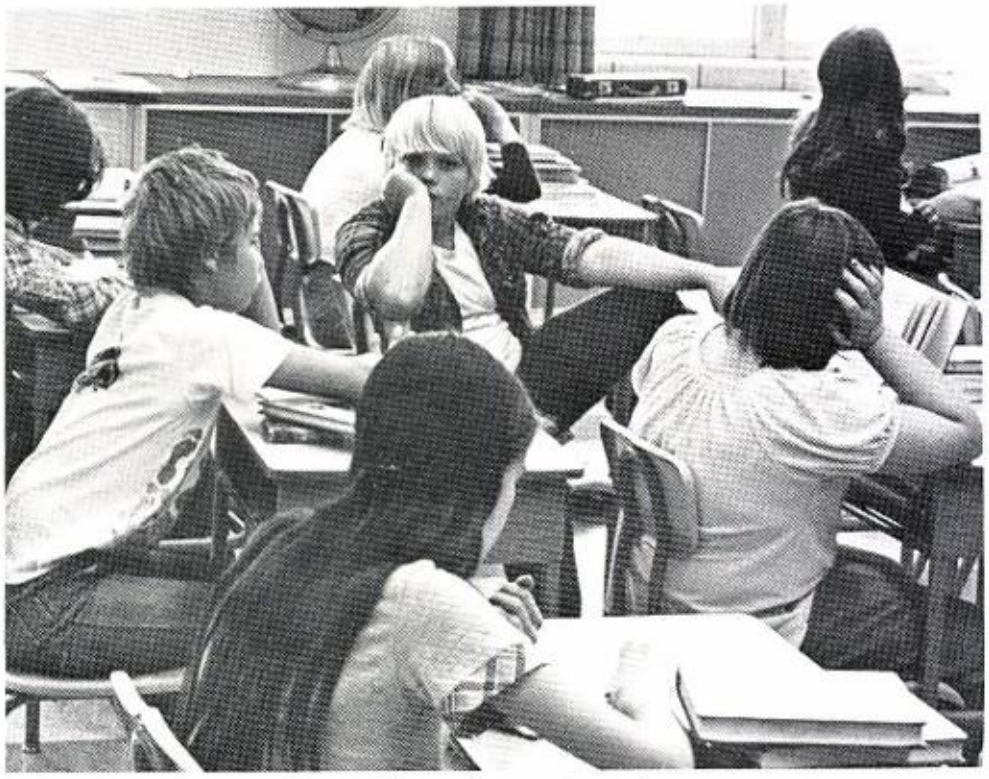
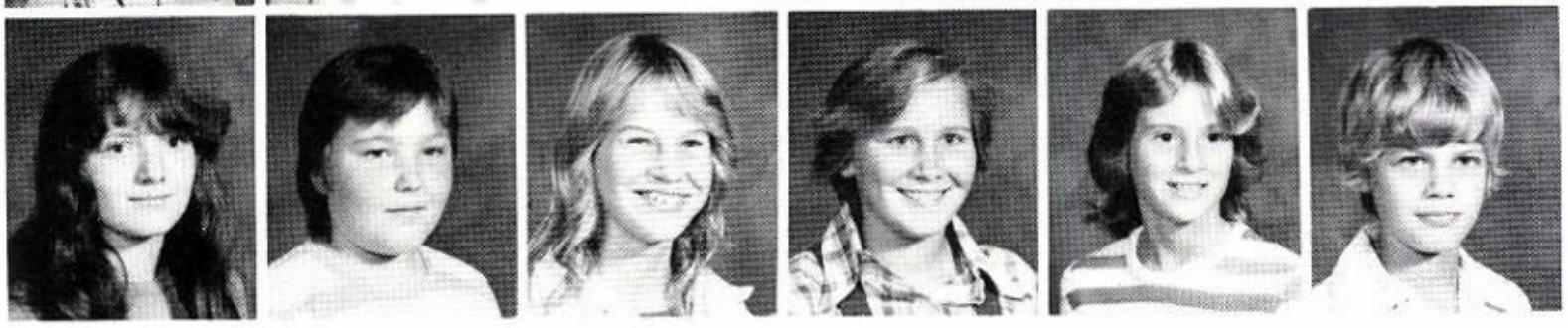




Dreaming of vacation time.

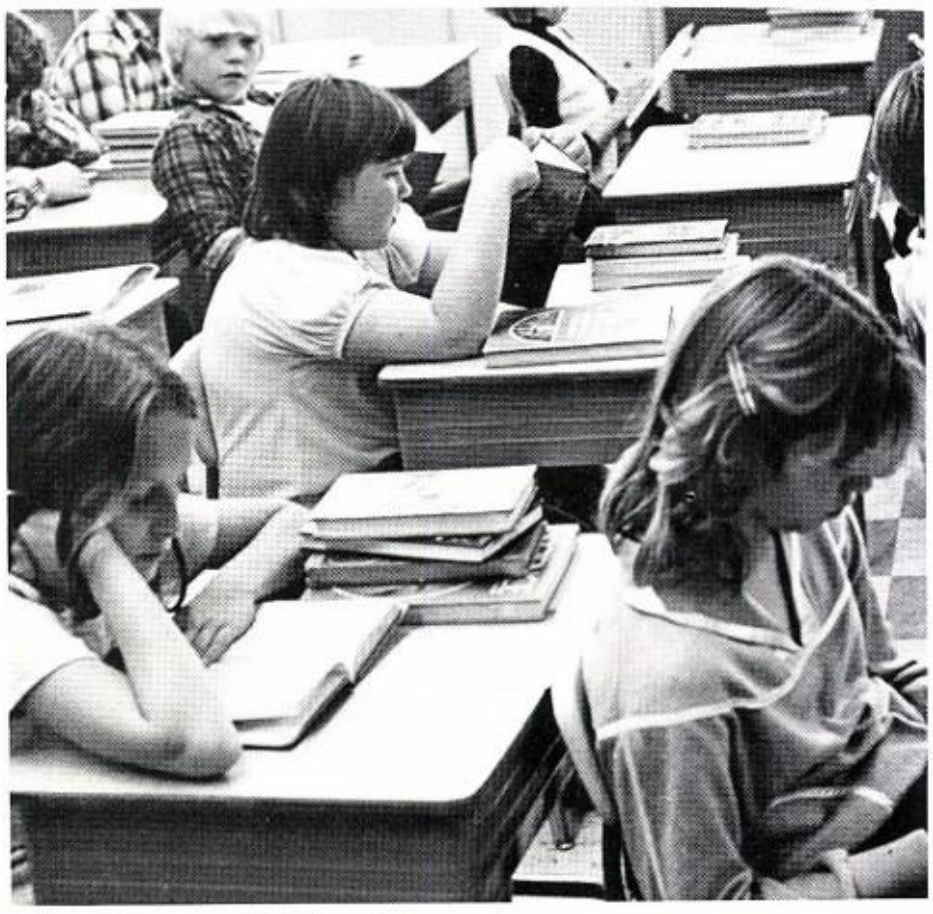
Mona Deering
Sue Driskel
Kay Edwards
Stacy Fischer
Carol Freeman
Pat Garst

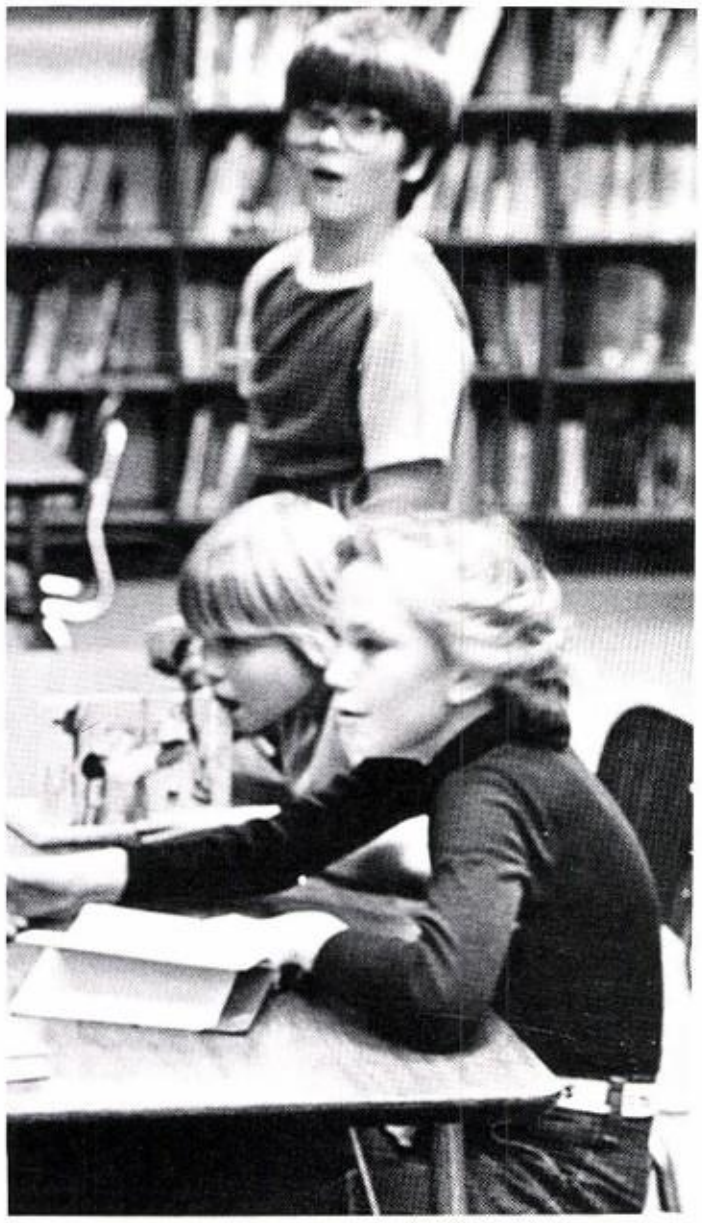


Busy, busy, busy.

# Getting Ready

The fascination of the sixth grade was captured by choosing and learning to play a band instrument. Polishing their instruments and practicing on them, the students were proud to become band members. Band and other activities at home and church make students manage their time. Sixth graders learned the value of time, realizing that much can be accomplished in a few minutes if good study habits are applied. Fractions and decimals dominated math class, but a few math fun days were wedged in. Space exploration and related space topics were also studied. We have concentrated on correct usage of words in language. A special emphasis has been on writing complete sentences in preparation for junior high. Instructors were Mrs. Julie Shrader and Mrs. Linda Kincannon.





Enjoying some free time in the library.

Celeste Gilbertson

Britt Harmon
Shannon D. Holmes
Shannon M. Holmes

Roger Houts
Darlene Hulett
Todd Irvine

Becky Kerr
Troy LaHue
Julee Lair

Mike Lansdown
Lisa Lawless
Martha Ledford
Wade Lininger
Kristie Lipham
Lynn McKibben

Bruce Million
Alice Parks
Jeff Pearce
Danny Perry
Terry Peterson
Dianna Rightsell

Billy Joe Roberts
James Roberts
Billy Sabo
Kim Schraeder
Matthew Schlup
Sara Stites

Mike Thomas
Scott Trauernicht
Julie Vogler
Kristee Zach
Mrs. Kincannon
Mrs. Shrader

# Helping Hands

The elementary students are aided by an additional staff of teachers who dedicate their time and concerns toward the advancement of the children's education. Their devotion toward the various students involved is greatly appreciated and a valuable asset to the elementary school system. Pictured at right is remedial reading teacher, Mrs. Margaret Phelps. Pictured below is Mrs. Esther Long, remedial math instructor.

Below is Mrs. Mary Price, instructional aide.

Mrs. Diane Abbott, teacher's aide, is shown below.

Below is Mrs. Pat Lytle, special education teacher.

# Musicmakers

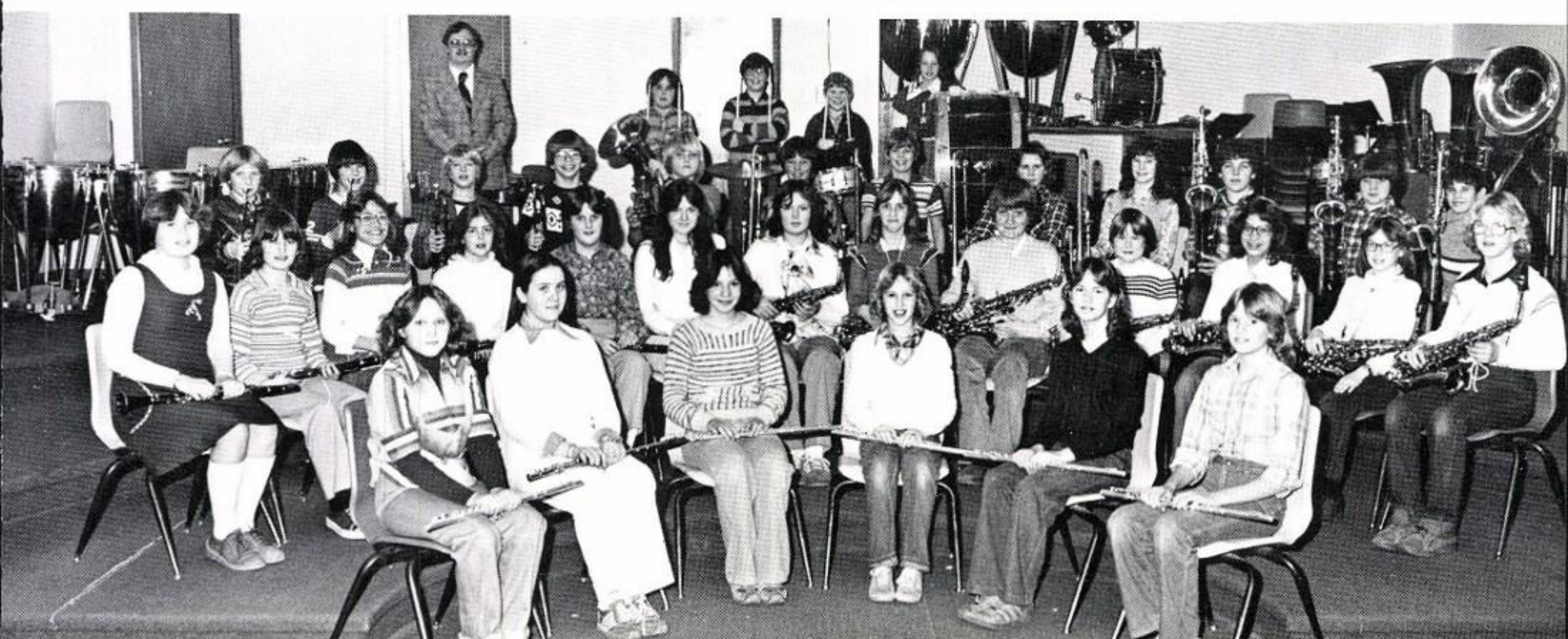
Elementary students under the direction of Mrs. Tamara Curfman enjoyed a very active year in their music classes. The boys and girls performed individual abilities every third week for Talent Day, as well as playing music-oriented games to develop musical skills. This year, the various aspects of the orchestra were studied. December 15, the annual Christmas special was presented. The program was entitled, "When Toys Come to Life". Mr. Ken Greiner taught the sixth grade band, instructing the beginning musicians on proper care and cleaning of their instruments, and teaching basic musical fundamentals as a pre-course for junior high music. At left: Students awaiting the start of class.

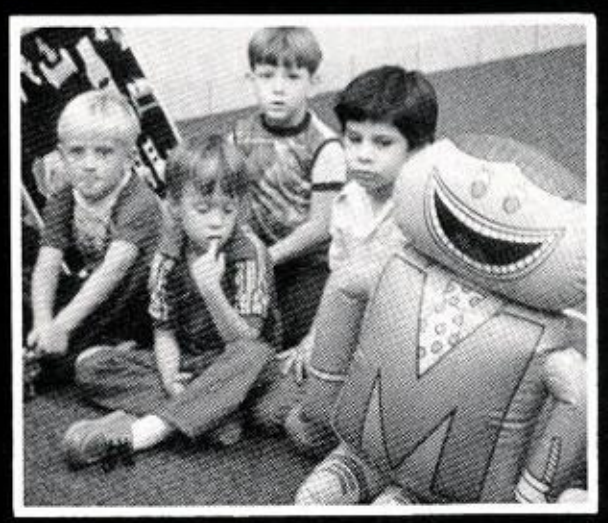
Candy kids!

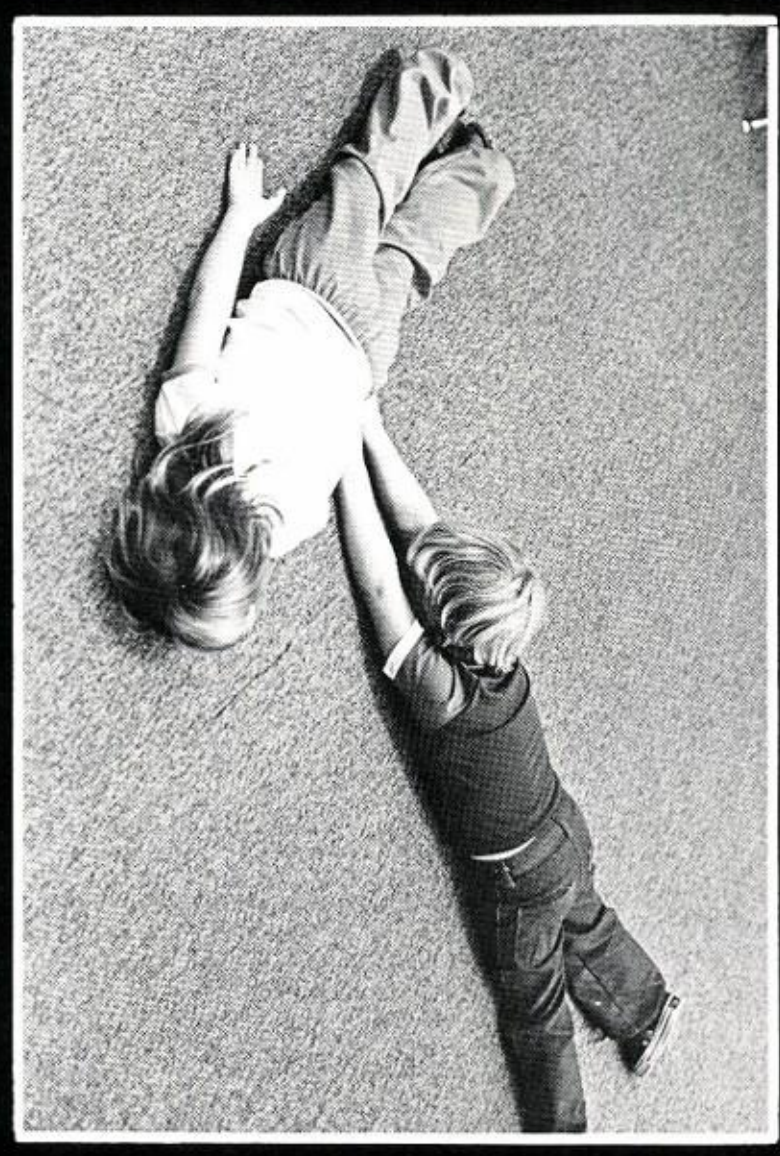
Clowns grimace!

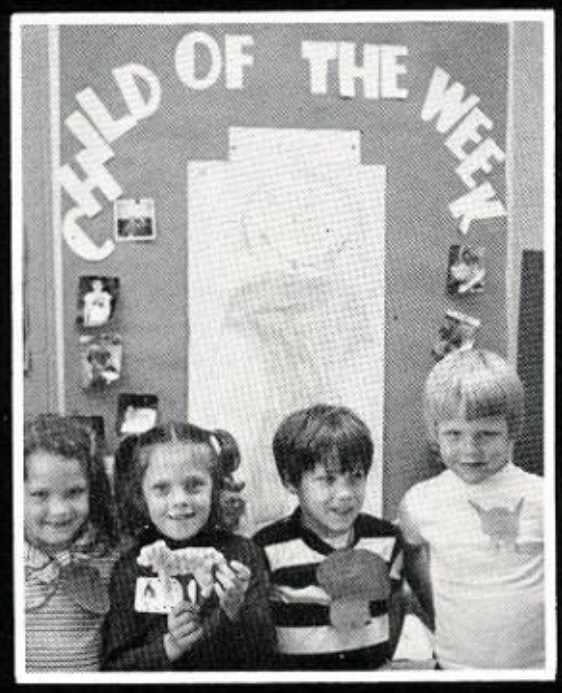
Little toy soldiers march in time.

Elementary band, Row 1: S. Holmes, M. Ledford, K. Lipham, C. Boatman, J. Lair, C. Freeman, Row 2: J. Adamson, K. Schraeder, D. Hulett, G. Bemberger, C. Gilbertson, R. Deering, S. Holmes, S. Stites, B. Million, R. Houts, J. Vogler, S. Bennington, L. Lawless. Row 3: B. Bowers, D. Perry, R. Lininger, M. Thomas, P. Alley, T. LaHue, P. Garst, S. Fischer, K. Zack, T. Irvine, S. Trauernicht, M. Lansdown. Row 4: Mr. Greiner, B. Sabo, J. Pearce, D. Burke, T. Peterson.





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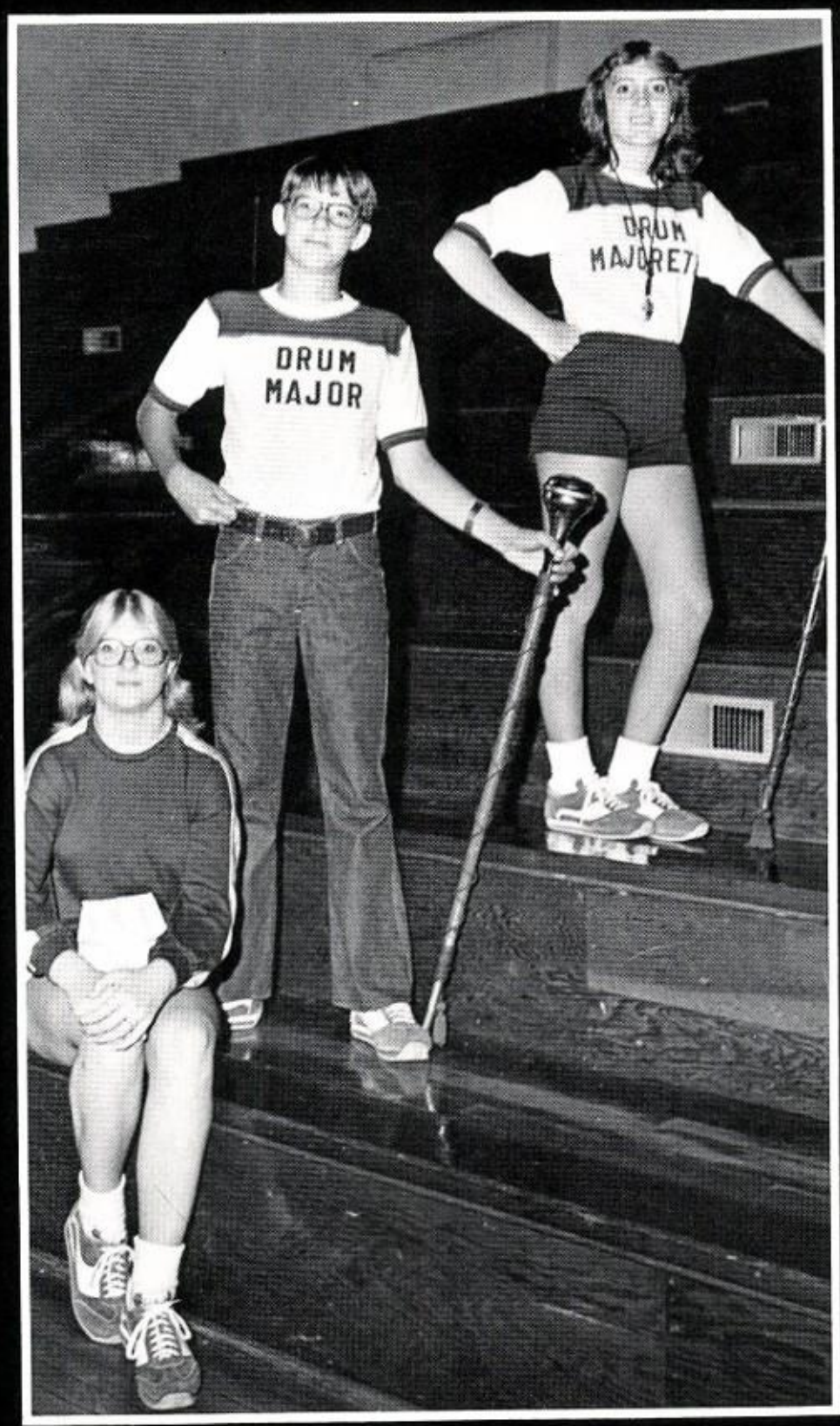


# *Junior High*

*You may delay,*
*but time*
*will not.*

Serving as officers for the seventh grade class were: Andy Bryan, and Karen Allee student council; Shelly Lininger, treasurer; Binky Minter, secretary; Quint Lingerfelt, vice-president; and Amelia Jiminez, president.

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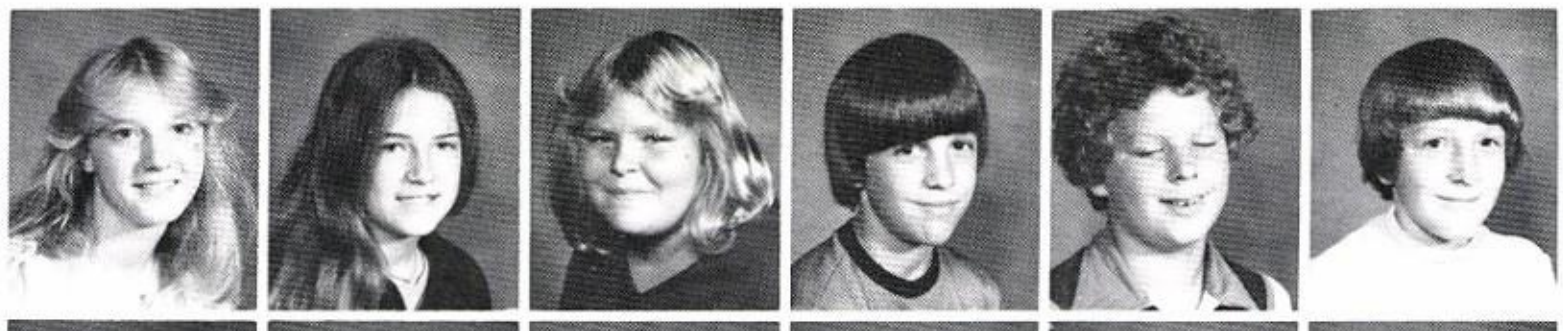
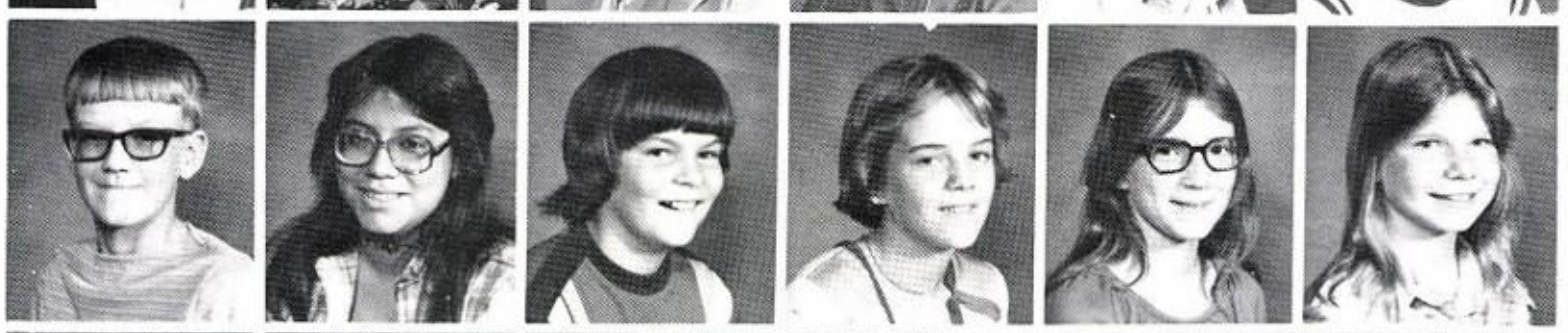
Jessie Andresen
Trudy Bartles
Kerry Beasing
Todd Bennington
Andrew Bryan



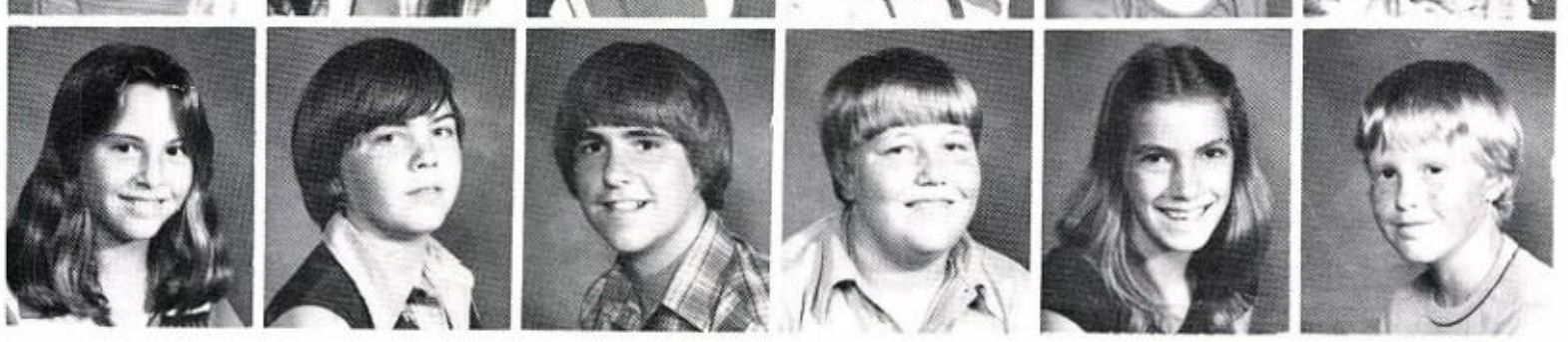
Marcy Chamberlain
Lisa Chastain
Bill Cook
Patty Cook
Sonny Cook
Scott Daugherty

Darren Deatz
John J. Desmond Jr.
Valorie Fischer
Tony Gayler
Malisa Groff
Kent Haynes

Mike Herron
Amelia Jimenez
Jeff Jochim
Traci Kelly
Patricia Kephart
Michelle Lane



Shelly Lann
Austin Ledford
Matt Leisman
James Lewis
Patty Lewis
Ken Lininger



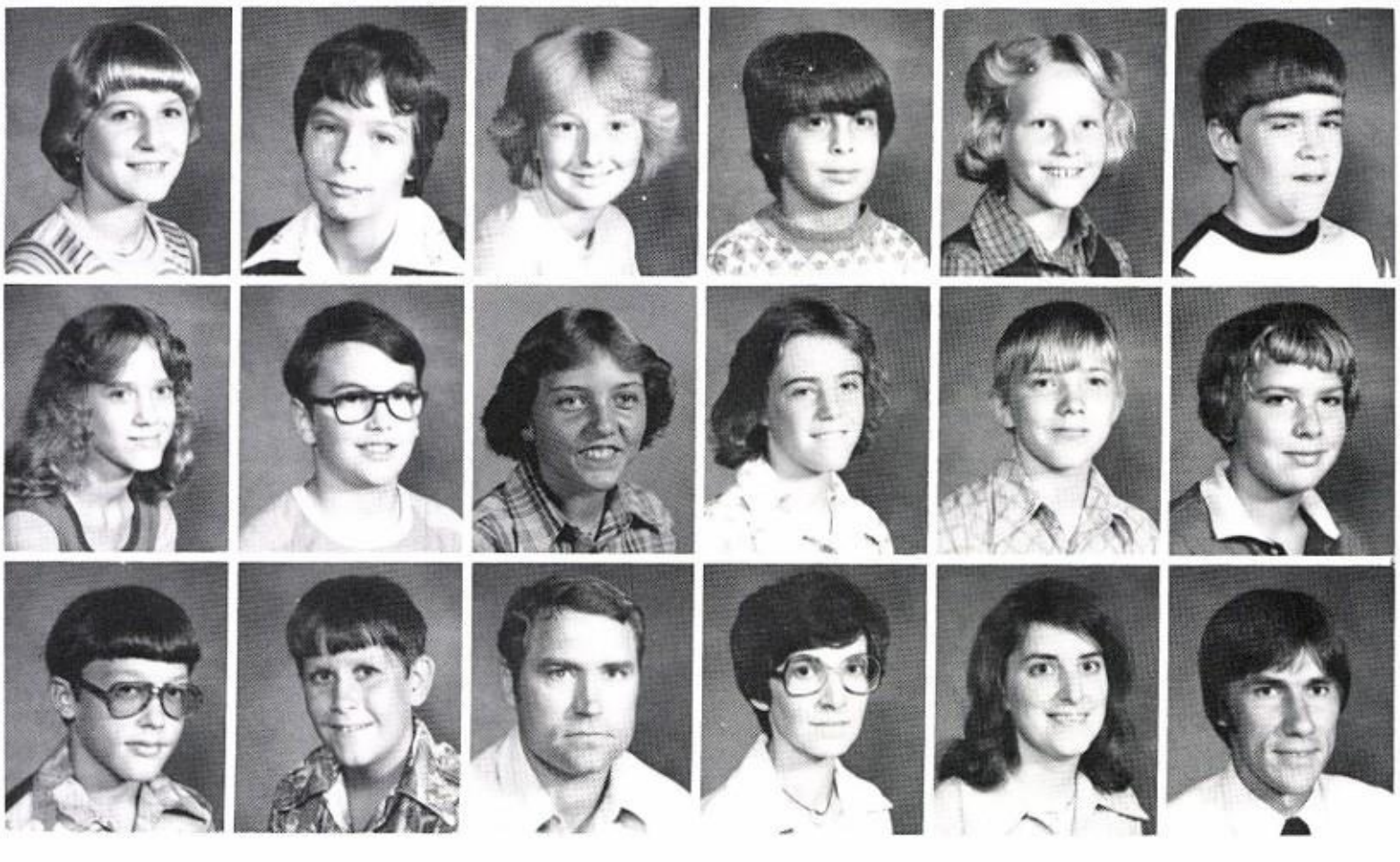
Shelley Lininger
Quint Lingerfelt
Mark McMahon
Binky Minter
Dawn Moreland
Tammy Morgason

Julie Muntz
Rodney Needs
Duane Parks
Joni Phelps
Steve Pierce
Norma Reynolds

Aren't they a little old?

# *Adding to the Years*

This year was a very big step for these youngsters. They were involved in many more activities such as football, basketball, and track. They also experienced changing classes and having different teachers. The students enjoyed this year and are looking forward to next year. Students not shown: Tommy Morgason and Christina Rosenboom.



Dee Ann Rosenbohm
Theresa Rosenbohm
Susan Salfrank
Jeff Savala
Donna Schoonover
Colin Smith

Deborah Squires
Christopher Stout
Kim Thompson
Elizabeth Watson
David Wedel
Dean Welch

Mike Welch
Billy Jack Wilson
Mr. Gaines
Mrs. Greiner
Mrs. Harmon
Mr. Runkles

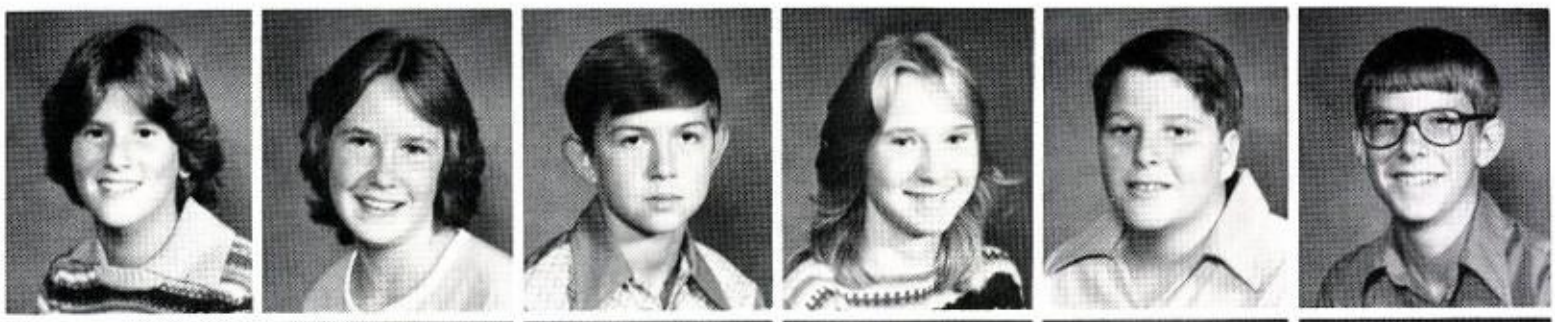
Russell Alley
Layton Barbee
Monty Barbee
Marcy Boatman
Gary Bradley
Milton Bramble

Marvin Cooper
Jeff Daugherty
LeeAnn Deatz
Jim Dockins
John Dukes
Alan Duntz

# *Prepares for High School*

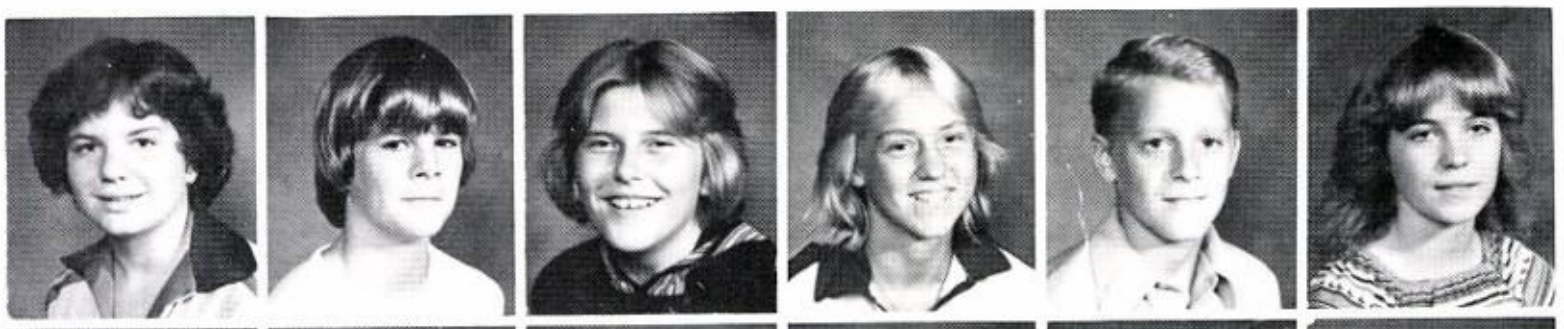
This year's eighth grade had an interesting year. The boys participated in their second year of football, basketball and track. The girls enjoyed their second year of Pep Club, basketball, and track. The new experiences they had in science, math, language arts, and social studies helped to prepare them for their freshman year. Leading this group of students were; Tony Scamman and Marcy Boatman, student council; Mark Hartman, treasurer; Kelly Lipham, secretary; Armanda Maheu, vice-president; LeeAnn Deatz, president. At right: Mr. Runkles skips out again.

Diane Freeman
Melinda Garst
Thomas Gibson
Teresa Gilmore
Jim Gilpin
Mark Hartman

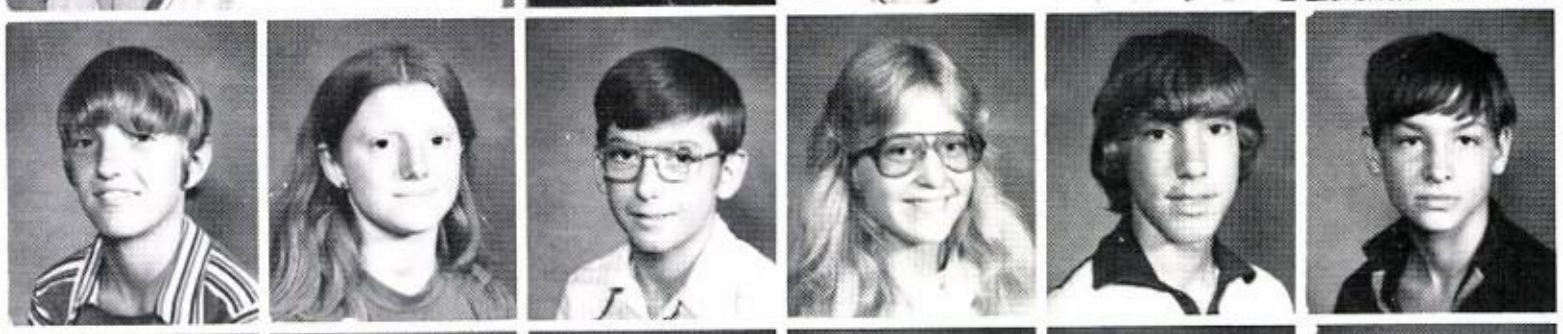


Ton Heard
Tony Howell
Dena Hudson
Sherry Hulett
Angie Husing
Dan Ingram

Phil Ingram
Rhonda Kuhns
Christie Lane
Joy Lewis
Kelly Lipham
Armanda Maheu



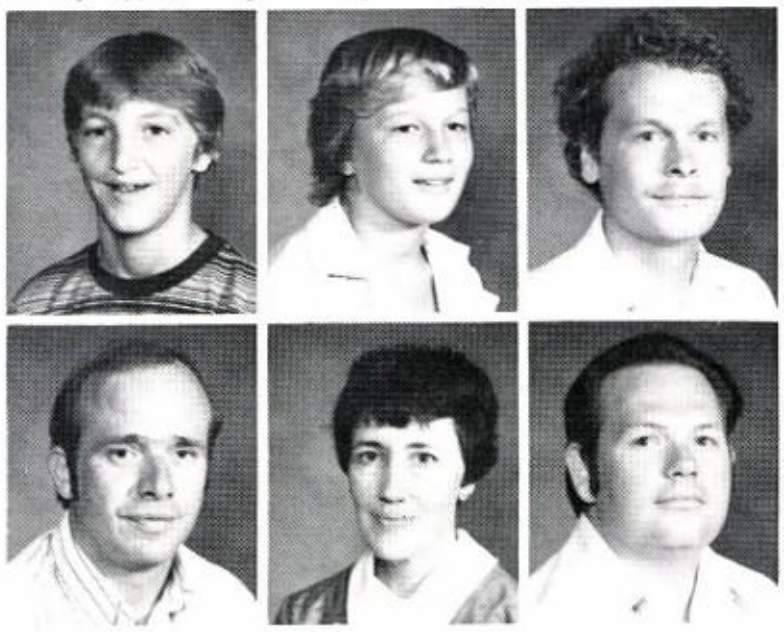
Alycia McKibben
Mike McMahon
Kathy Meek
Joann Minderman
Neil Mobley
Anita Moore



Dean Needs
Donna Neemann
Dennis O'Barsky
Becky Pankau
Jeff Powell
Rick Rightsell

Keith Savala
Tony Scamman
Pam Schlup
Stephanie Schoonover
Gayle Thomas
Christy Webster

Joy works with her calculator.



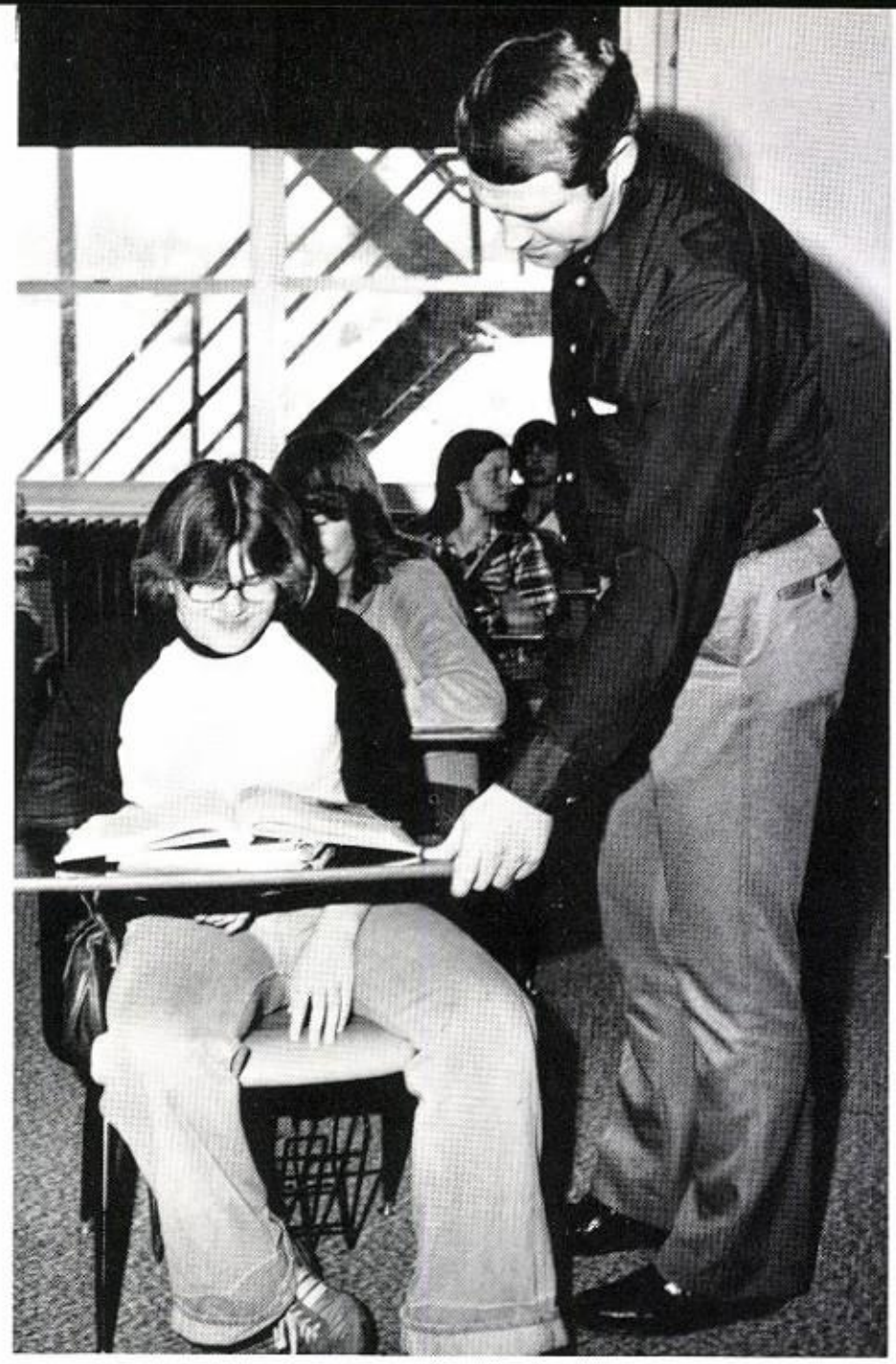
T. M. Wharton
Dena Whitam
Mr. Brooker

Mr. Eickhoff
Mrs. Marquart
Mr. Pearce

The class officers.

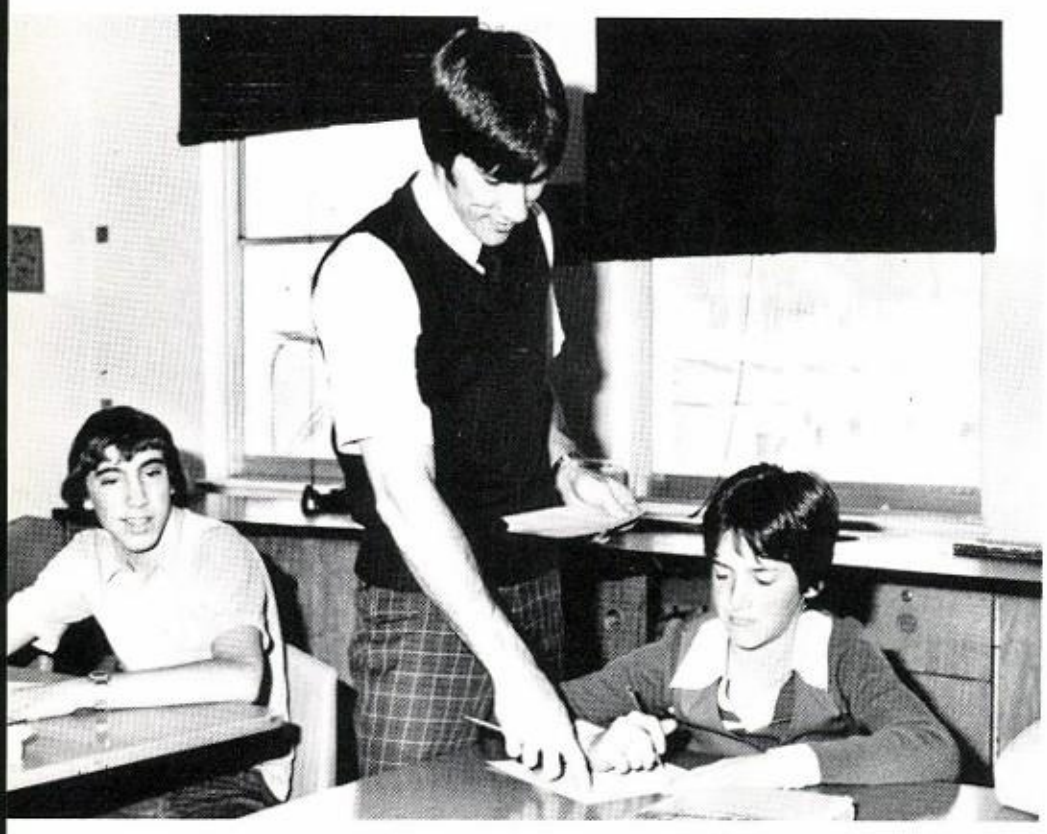
# Junior High Educators

Much of the success of the Junior High students this year can be attributed to the fine teaching staff. Classes required in Junior High are Health, Math, Science, Social Studies, Physical Education, and English. Others that are electives are Art, Band, Chorus, and Shop. Junior High is a big step, but everyone is looking forward to High School. At right: Mr. Tony Gaines, Social Studies.



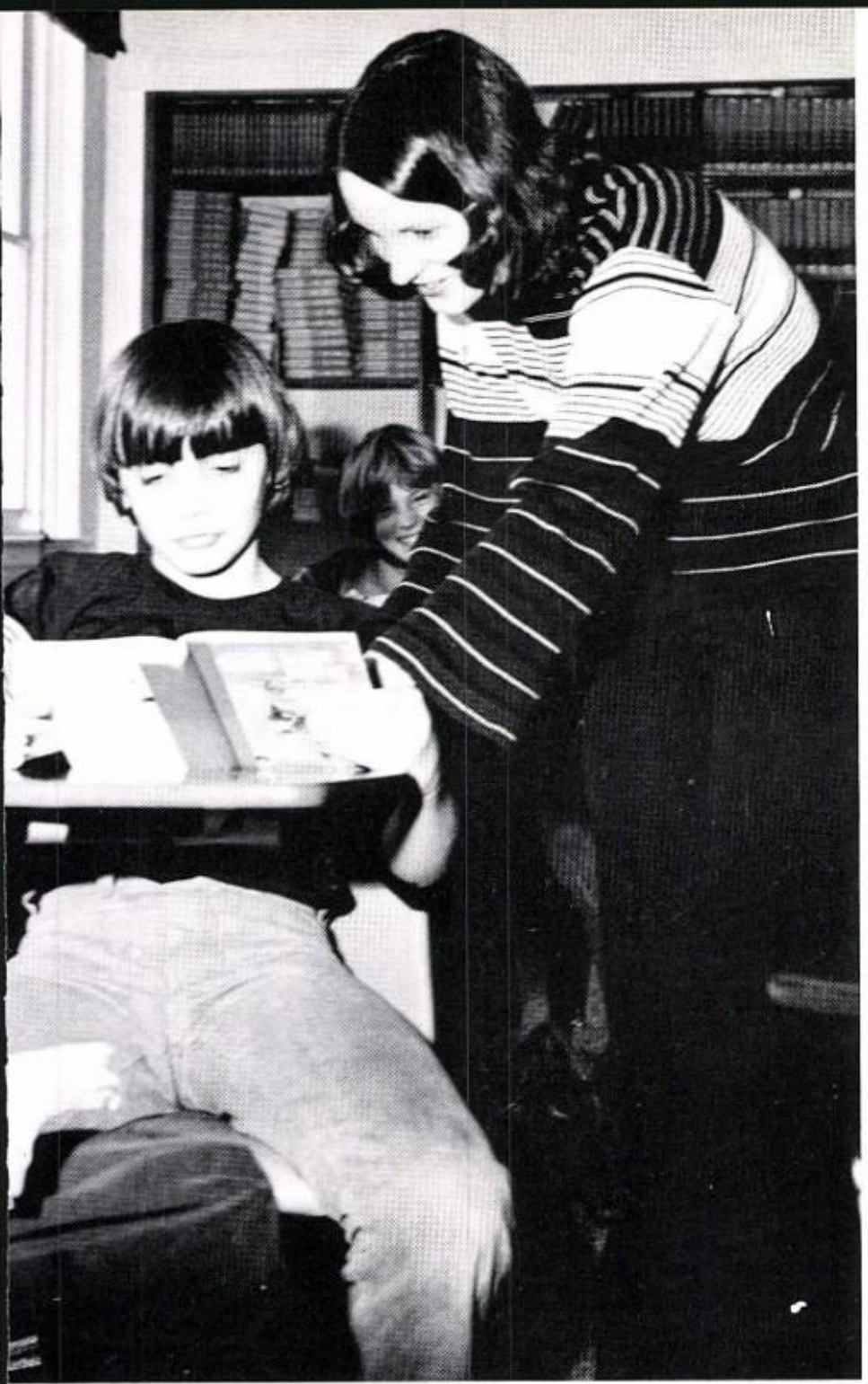
Mr. Ken Greiner, Band.

Mr. William Runkles, Science.



Mr. Rex Brooker, Math.

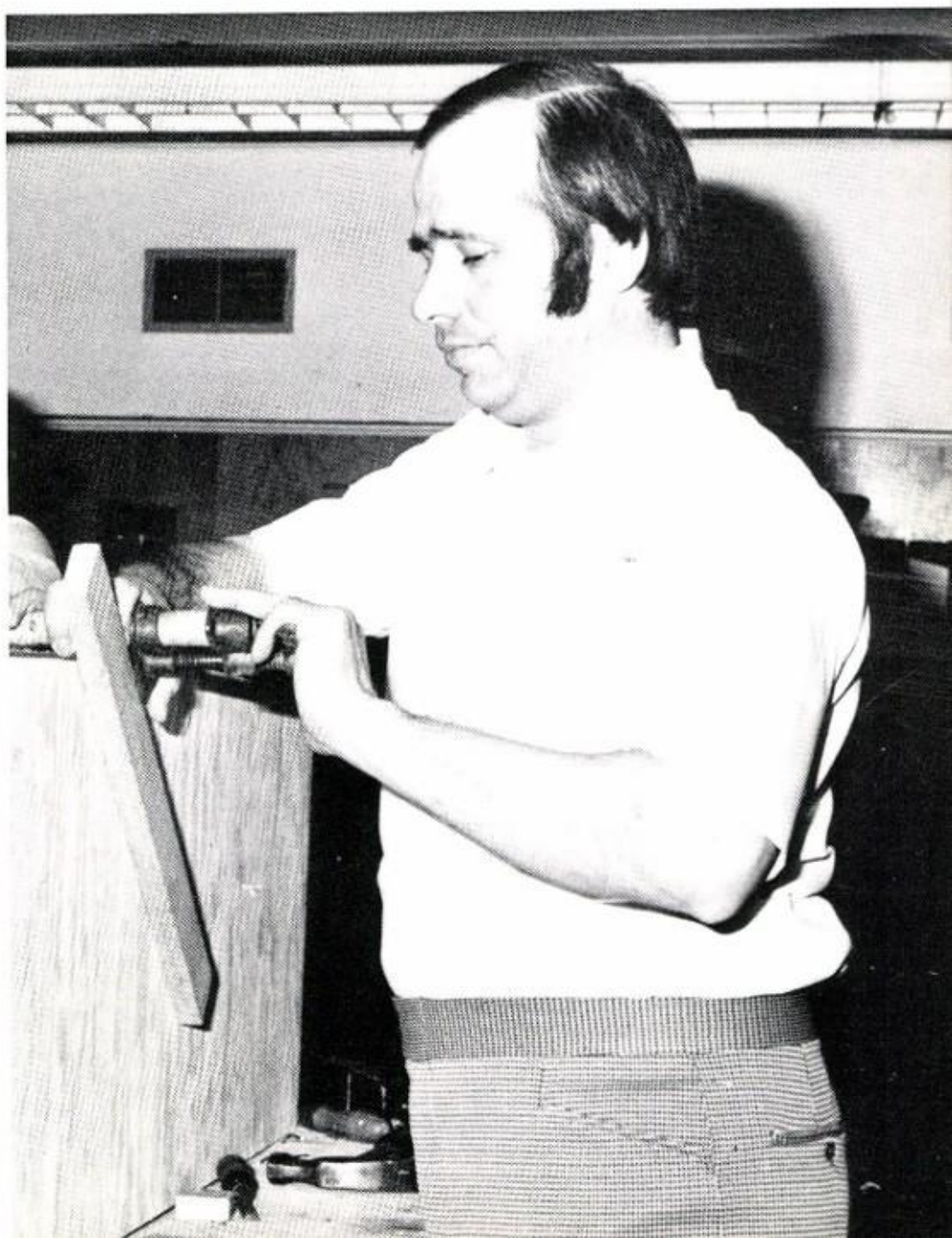
Miss Barbara Huber, Art.

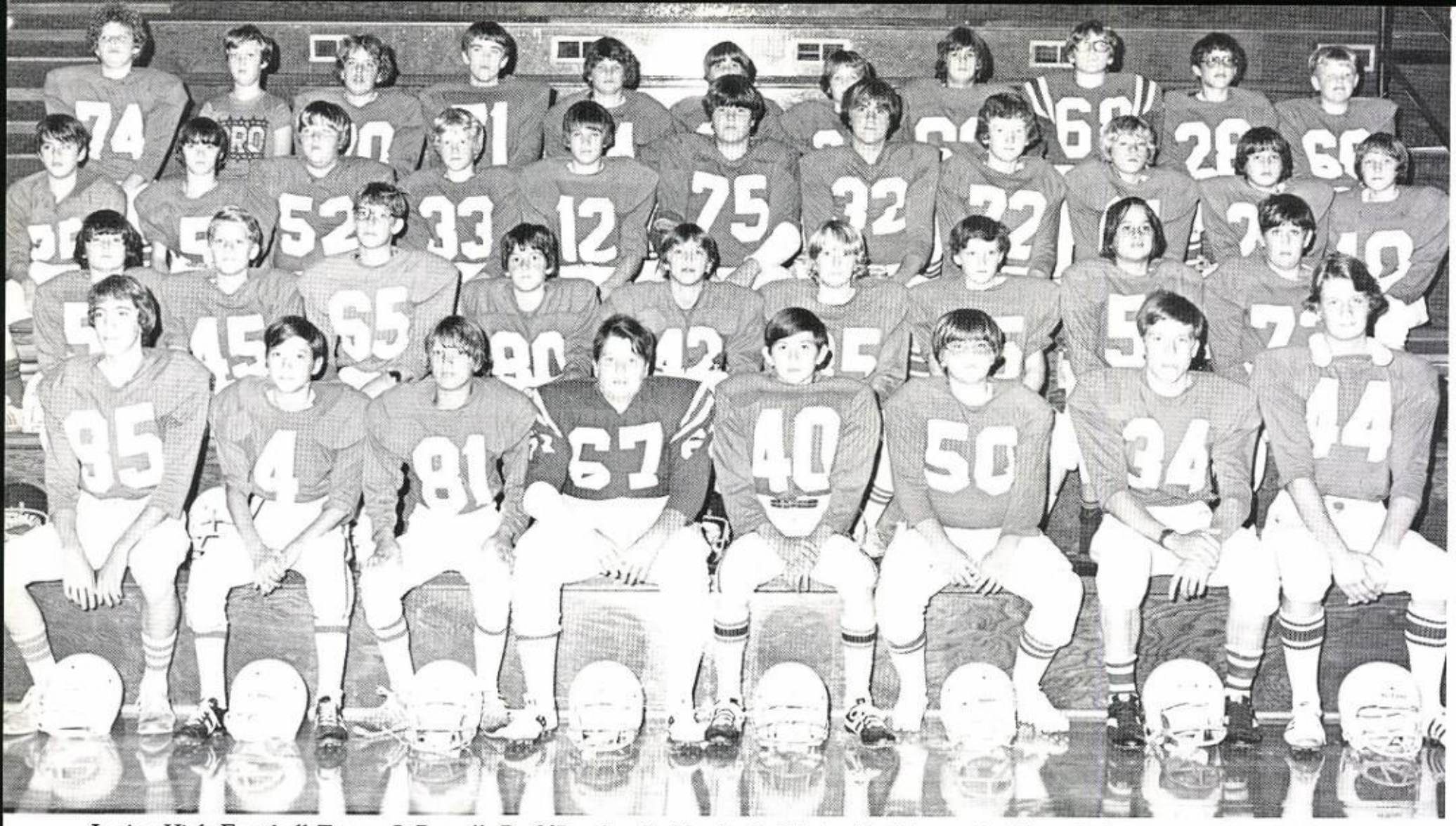


Above: Mrs. Sydney Dulgarian, Language Arts and Spanish.
Below: Mrs. Vicki Cook, Math.

Mr. Mike Rader, Ms. Vickie Brubaker, PE and Health.

Above: Mrs. Lynn Hunter, Chorus.
Below: Mr. Raymond Eickhoff, Shop.





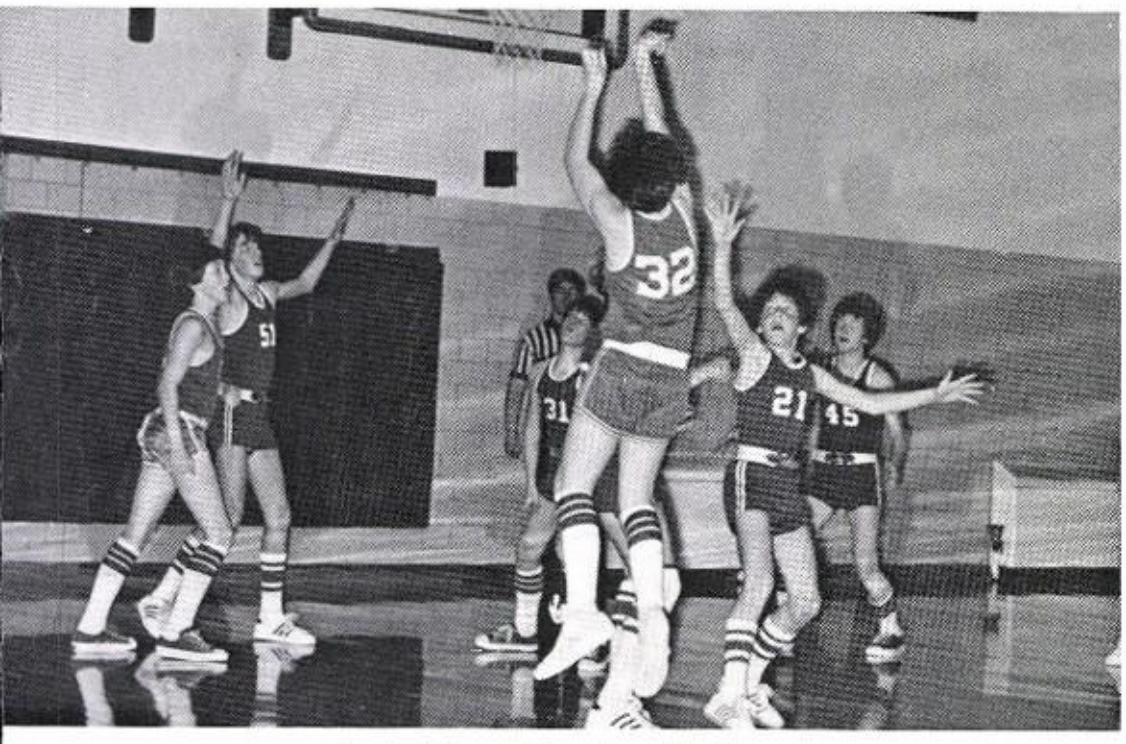
Junior High Football Team: J. Powell, D. O'Barsky, D. Needs, J. Gilpin, T. Gibson, R. Alley, D. Ingram, A. Duntz. Row 2: S. Daugherty, N. Mobley, M. Hartman, T. Scamman, T.M. Wharton, T. Heard, M. Barbee, K. Savala, B. Wilson. Row 3: T. Morgason, R. Needs, J. Lewis, K. Lininger, M. Bramble, Q. Lingerfelt, M. Leisman, K. Haynes, D. Parks, J. Savala, A. Bryan. Row 4: T. Bennington, B. Cook, D. Welch, C. Smyth, J. Jochim, S. Pierce, M. Minter, M. McMahon, D. Deatz, M. Welch, T. Gaylor.

# 3-1 for Jr. Jays

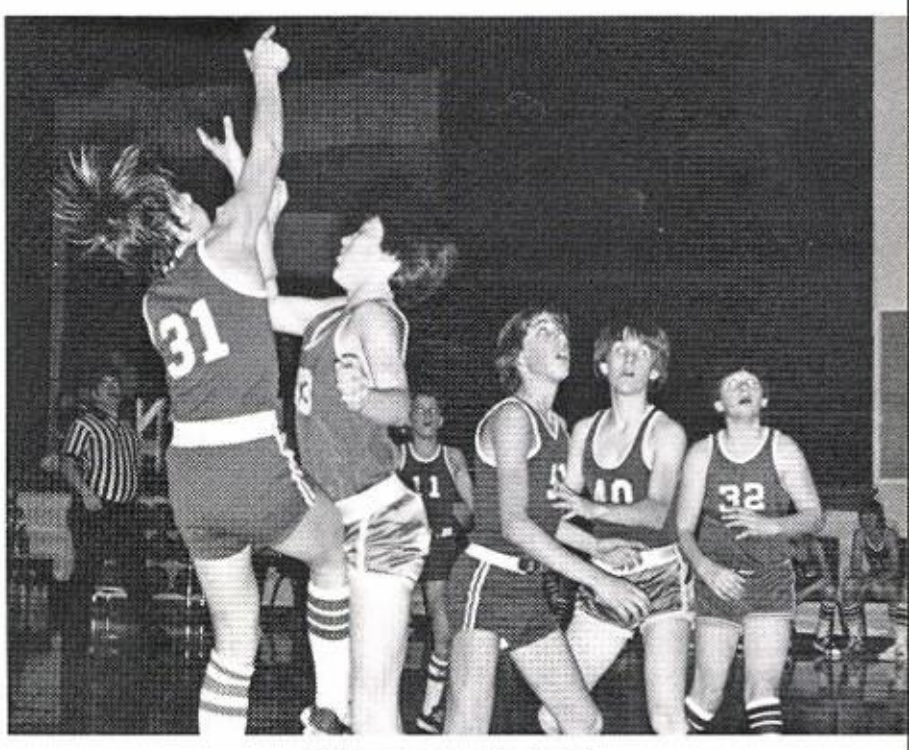
The Junior High Football Team finishes the 1978 season with a 3-1 record. The team had a good season with Coaches Tony Gaines and Bill Runkles, only losing one game. Many players are looking forward to playing high school ball next year. At right: Coach Tony Gaines and Mr. Bill Runkles and their managers: Tim Minter, Marty Johnson, Randy Lininger, and Miles Leisman. Below: Jays scramble for the ball.

# End Year with 9-5 Record

This year the Junior High boys finished the 1978-79 basketball season with a winning 9-5 record. The boys placed second in the South Holt Tournament and Third at the West Nodaway Tournament. Head Coach Bill Runkles, who was assisted by Rex Brooker, worked them hard this year and they should make some fine high school round-ballers next year. At left: T.M. makes a pass.



Look! Your shoe is untied.



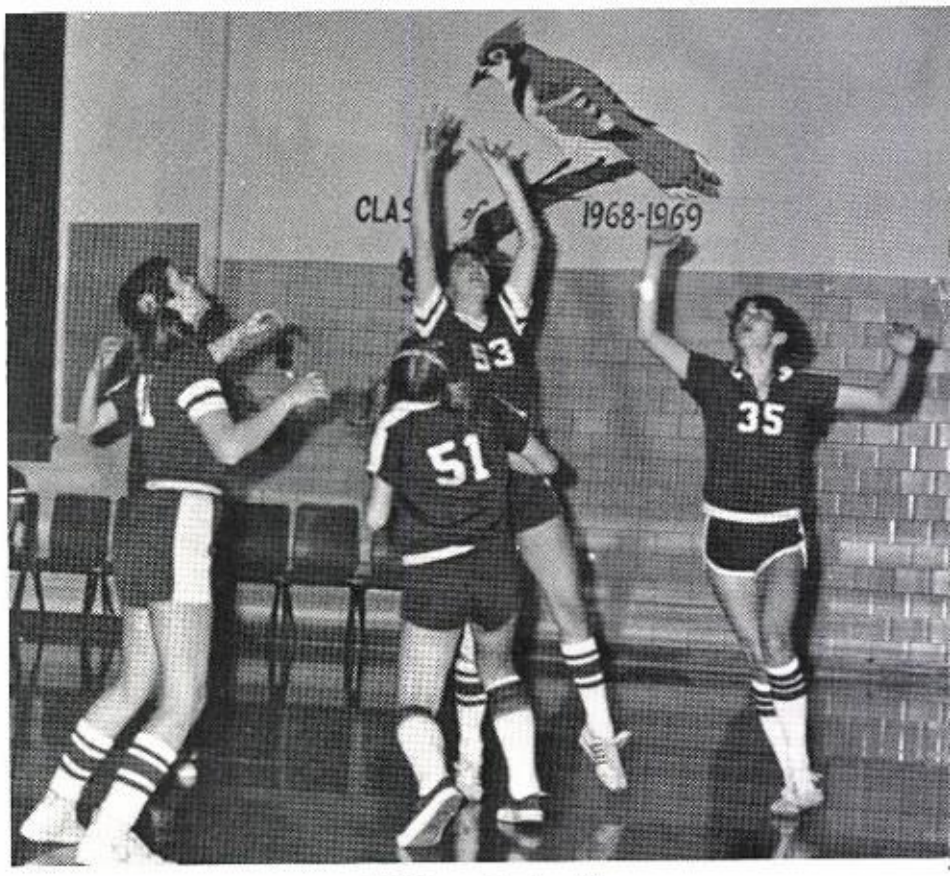
Milton gets hacked.

Junior High boys basketball, Row 1: N. Mobley, T. Scammon, D. Needs, R. Needs, A. Bryan, B. Minter. Row 2: Mr. Rex Brooker, M. Bramble, T. M. Wharton, M. Hartmon, J. Powell, A. Duntz, Q. Lingerfelt, M. Leisman, K. Haynes, P. Ingram, Mr. Bill Runkles.

Jr. High Girls basketball team, Row 1: S. Lann, E. Watson, J. Lewis, N. Reynolds, S. Lininger, D. Hudson, A. Mahue, L. Deatz, M. Garst, D. Freeman, M. Boatman, M. Chamberlain, M. Groff, D. Rosenbohm. Row 2: S. Hulett, Mr. Brooker, Mr. Runkles, A. McKibben.

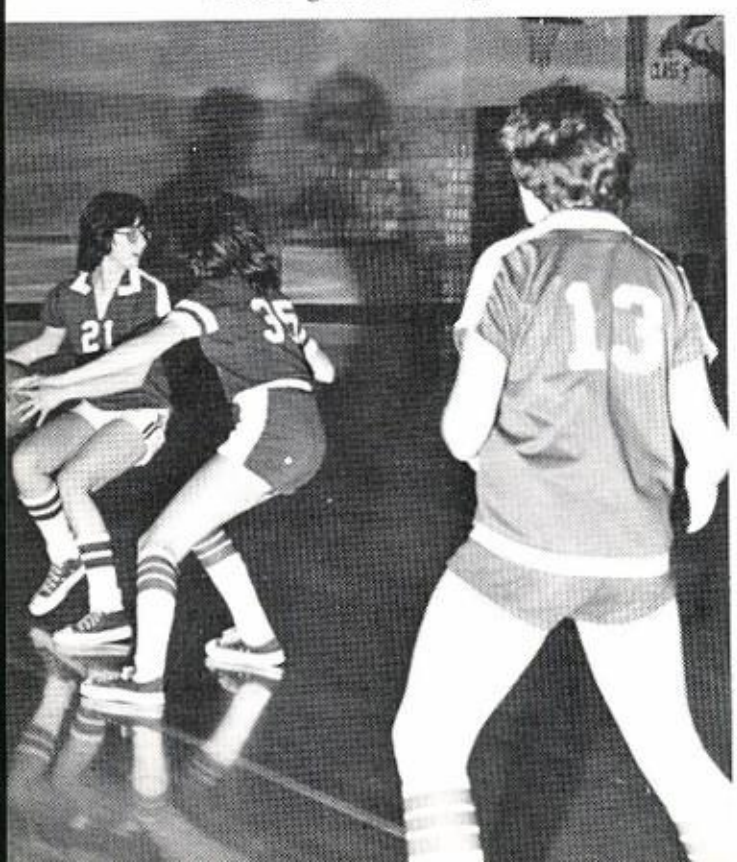
# Gals Pull 8-6 Season

This season was a good one for Coach Bill Runkles and Assistant Coach Rex Brooker. The girls had a 8-6 season. The girls brought home a 3rd place trophy from the South Holt tournament at Oregon. At right: Armanda shoots for two.




Girls wait for tip.

Diane guards her girl.

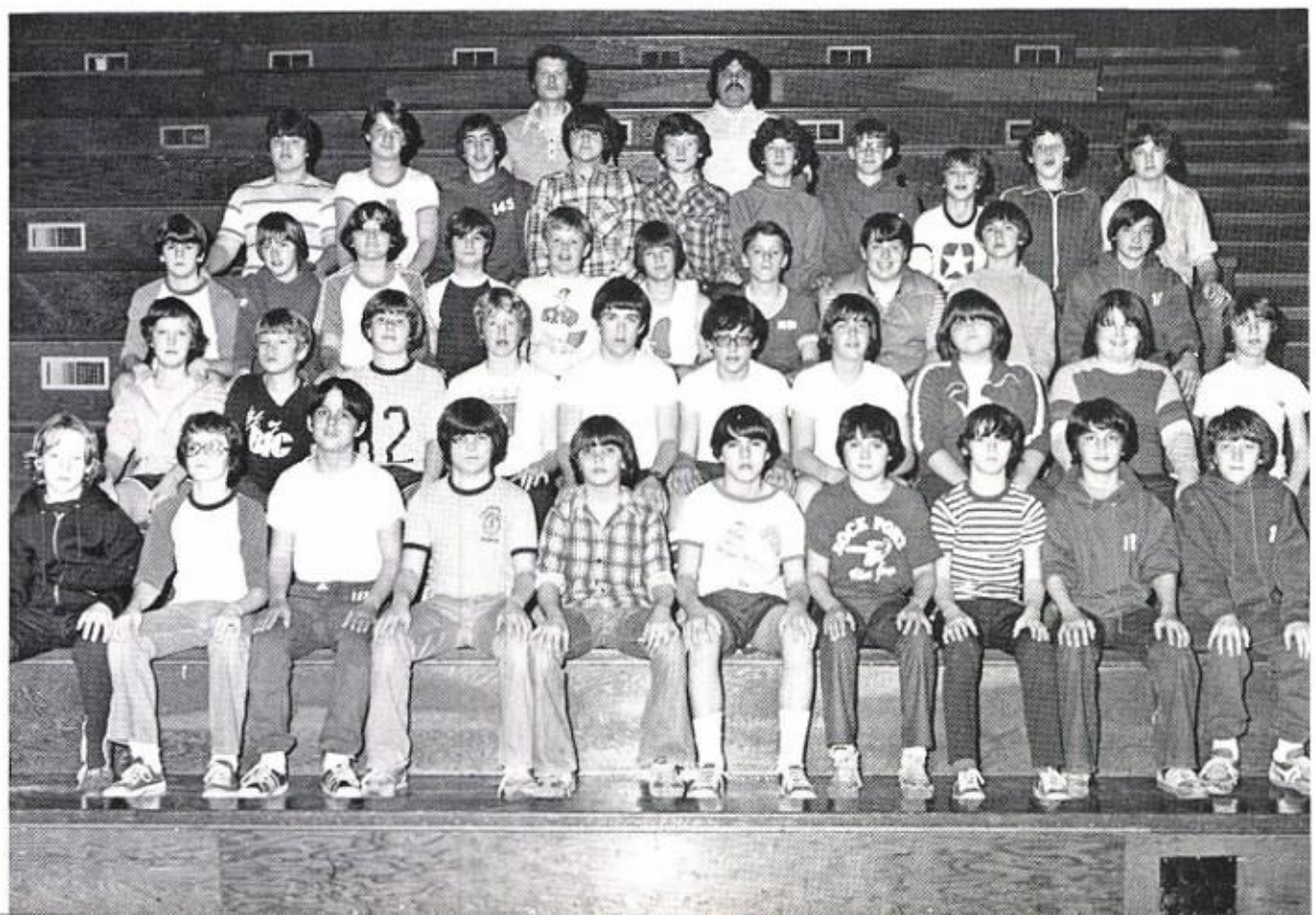


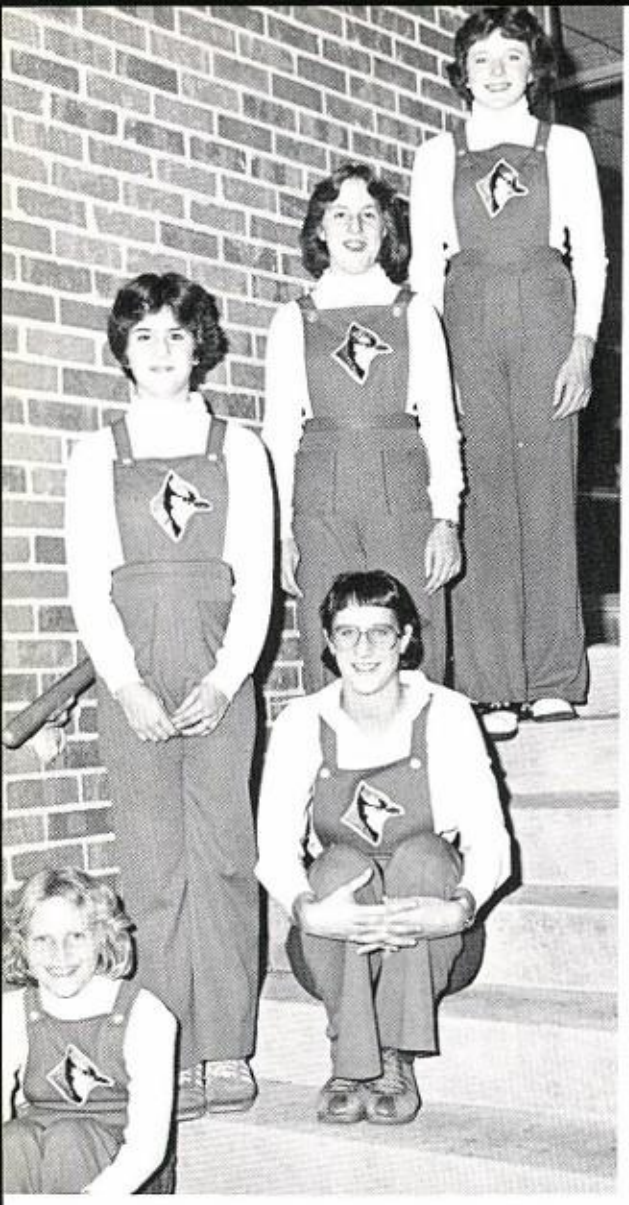
Jr. High Girls Track team, Row 1: A. Jiminez, D. Moreland, K. Thompson, D. Whitham, L. Watson, B. Pankau, S. Dillon, P. Lewis, D. Schoonover. Row 2: D. Rosenbohm, C. Webster, K. Lipham, M. Chamberlain, J. Lewis, M. Groff, K. Alley, P. Schlup, D. Squires, M. Lane. Row 3: A. Mahue, D. Hudson, C. Lane, S. Schoonover, N. Reynolds, D. Freeman, A. Husing, A. Moore, K. Meek, M. Boatman. Row 4: Coach Brooker, Coach Dulgarian.

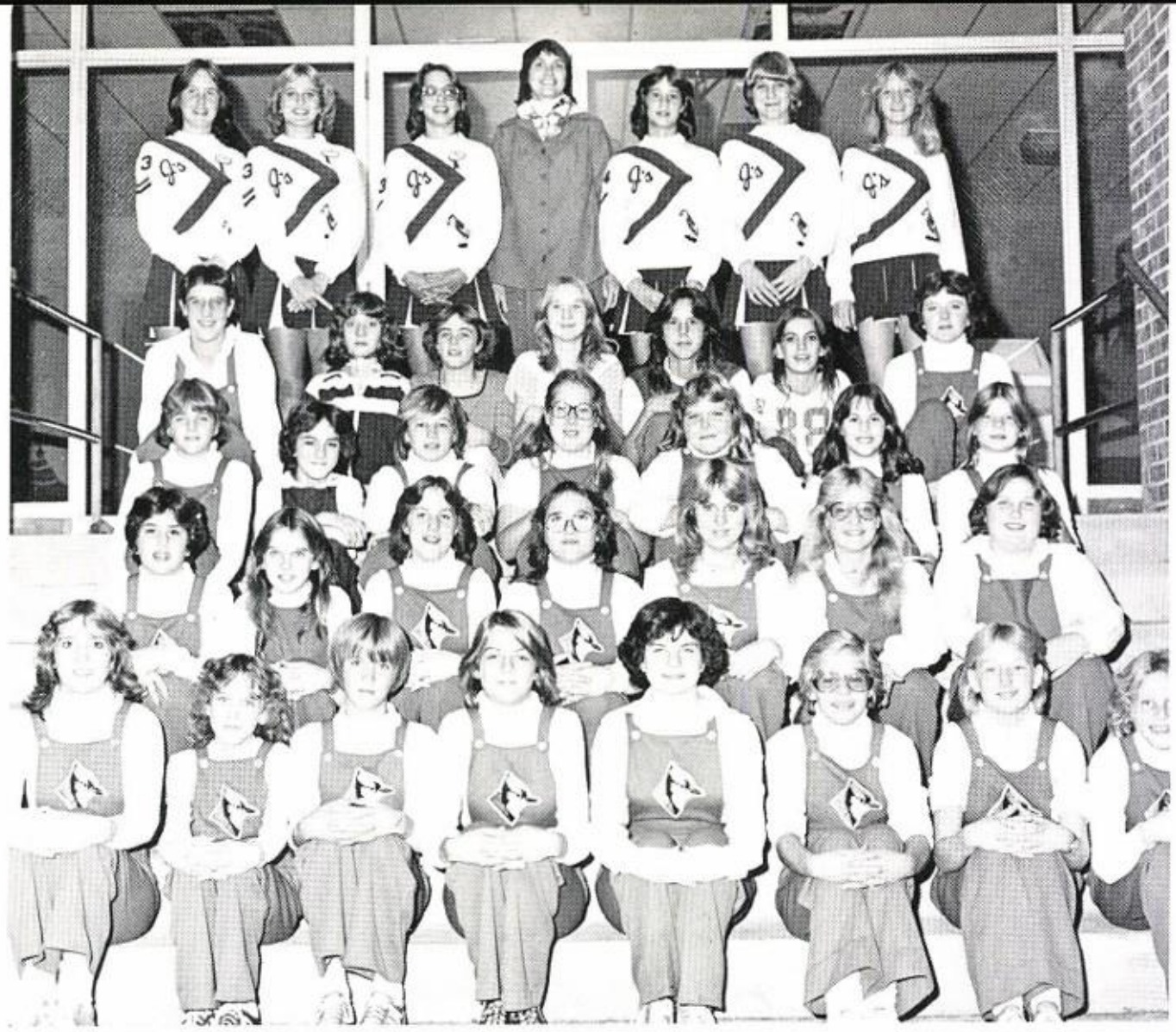
# Jr. High Boys and Girls Track Expands

A large number of junior high students participated in junior high track this year to make it a very competitive season. The Junior High Boys Track team placed 4th in the Mound City Invitational. The Junior High Girls Track team placed 2nd in the Rock Port Junior High Girls Invitational and 3rd at the Indian Relays in Tarkio. Both teams practiced diligently to make it a successful season. At left: Marcy and Marcy race to the finish. Below right: Dan sprints to the end.

Jr. High Boys Track team, Row 1: T. Heard, M. Minter, K. Savala, J. Jochim, S. Pierce, T. Morgason, S. Daugherty, R. Needs, J. Savala, A. Bryan. Row 2: B. Cook. D. Parks, D. Smith, K. Lininger, C. Stout, M. Welch, A. Ledford, R. Alley, S. Cook, D. Needs. Row 3: M. McMahon, P. Ingram, D. Deatz, M. McMahon, T. Gaylor, M. Bramble, N. Mobley, J. Gilpin, T. Gibson, R. Rightsell. Row 4: Q. Lingerfelt, A. Duntz, J. Powell, M. Leisman, K. Haynes, T. Bradley, M. Hartman, T. M. Wharton, T. Bennington, J. Dockins. Row 5: Coach Dulgarian.







Jr. High Pep Club, Row 1: L. Deatz, D. Squires, L. Chastain, S. Lininger, A. McKibben, C. Rosenbohm, S. Salfrank, D. Schoonover. Row 2: M. Chamberlain, D. Morlin, R. Kuhns, C. Webster, S. Schoonover, B. Pankau, V. Fischer. Row 3: T. Kelly, T. Morgason, D. Whitham, J. Muntz, T. Bartles, S. Lann, M. Lane. Row 4: A. Maheu, P. Cook, E. Watson, T. Gilmore, C. Lane, P. Lewis, D. Hudson. Row 5: M. Garst, M. Boatman, K. Lipham, Mrs. Runkles (Sponsor), M. Groff, D. Rosenbohm, K. Allee.

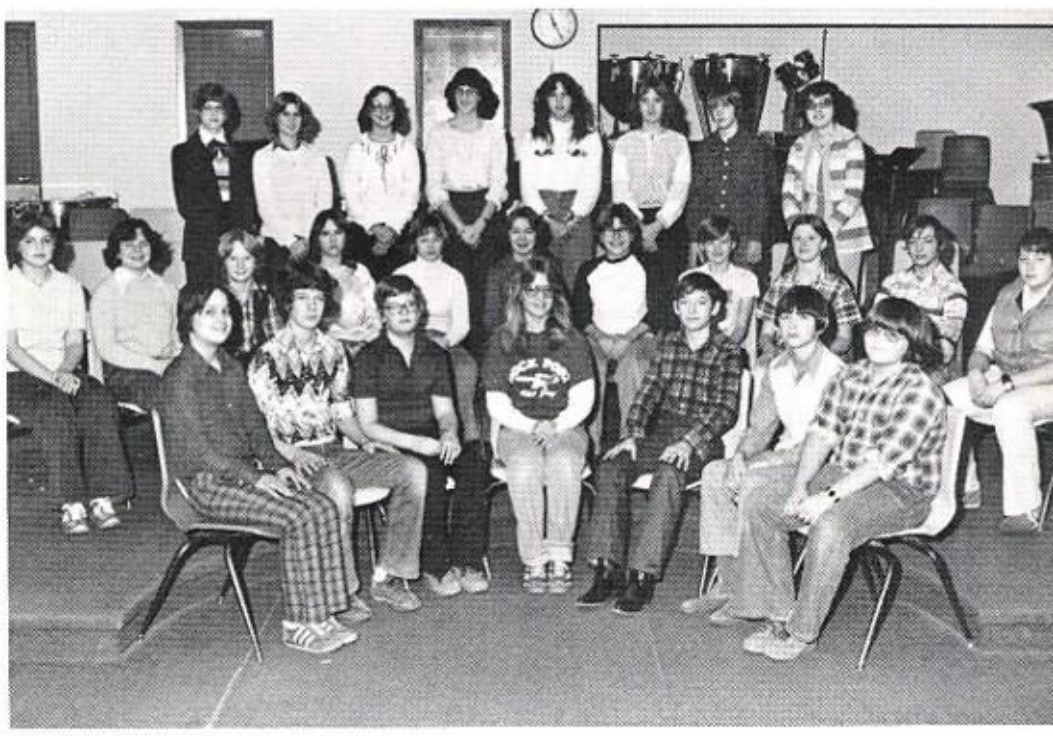
The Junior High Pep Club and Cheerleaders did a fine job of keeping the overall spirit and enthusiasm going strong this year, even though few in number their were some that were dedicated to keep spirit in Jr. High Sports. Cheerleaders, lower right, Row 1: Karen Allee. Row 2: DeeAnn Rosenbohm. Row 3: Malissa Groff, Melinda Garst (Head). Row 4: Marcy Boatman. Officers, upper left, top to bottom; Dena Hudson, president; Ronda Kuhns, vice-president; Marcy Chamberlain, treasurer; Armanda Maheu, secretary; Donna Schoonover, student council.

The girls cheer on !!

# *Spirit Makers*

Jr. High Band, Row 1: D. Squires, S. Lann, M. Groff, M. Lane, M. Chamberlain, D. Schoonover, C. Lane. Row 2: M. Hartman, K. Lipham, M. Boatman, A. Husing, J. Powell, R. Kuhns, C. Webster, S. Lininger, T. Bartles. Row 3: C. Stout, T. Kelly, J. Muntz, D. Rosenbohm, A. Bryan, D. Freeman, D. Hudson, M. Garst, L. Deatz, A. Maheu, A. Duntz. Row 4: T. Scamman, N. Mobley, B. Pankau, K. Savala, M. Cooper, S. Lenard, M. Minter, J. Jochim, K. Lininger, D. Ingram, T. Gaylor, M. Leisman, D. Deatz, D. Needs, D. Parks. Row 5: J. Savala, S. Pierce, M. Bramble, D. Whitham, T. Wharton, J. Gilpin, V. Fischer, Mr. Greiner.

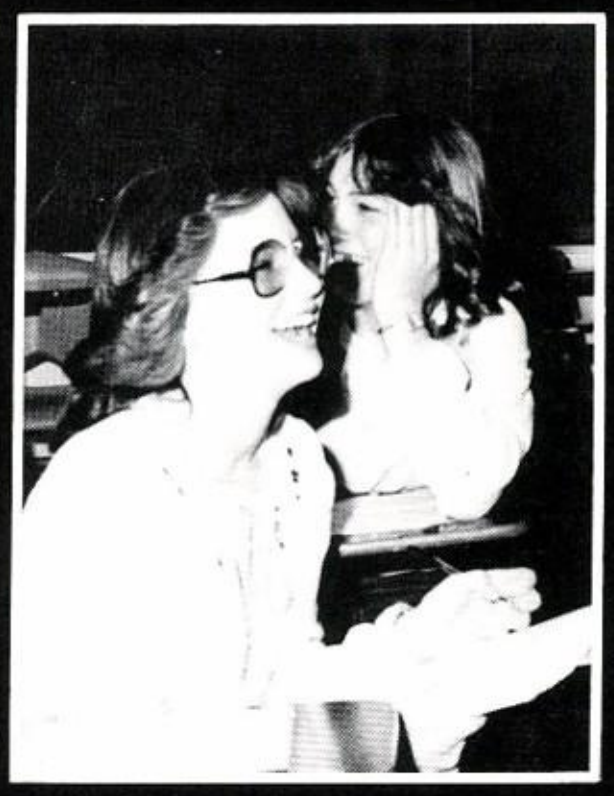
7th Grade Chorus, Row 1: T. Morgason, S. Cook, S. Daugherty, R. Needs, K. Beasing, D. Schoonover, P. Kephart. Row 2: M. McMahon, J. Desmond, M. Welch, D. Wedel, J. Lewis, A. Ledford, J. Phelps, E. Watson, K. Thompson, S. Lann, M. Lane. Row 3: J. Muntz, D. Squires, P. Cook, J. Andresen, D. Welch, Q. Lingerfelt, N. Reynolds, L. Chastain, B. Cook, C. Rosenbohm, T. Rosenbohm.

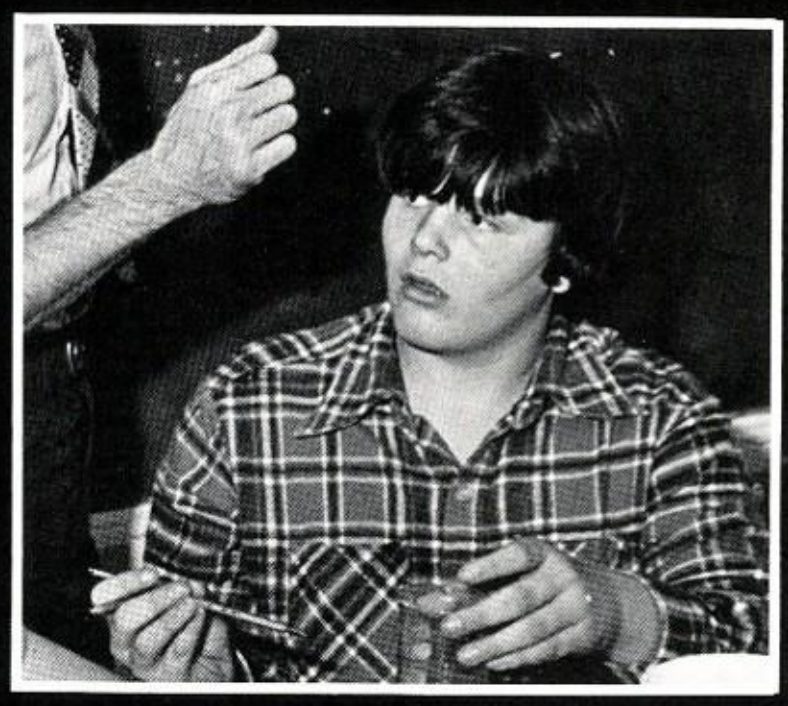


8th Grade Chorus, Row 1: K. Savala, T. Bradley, J. Daugherty, B. Pankau, D. O'Barsky, T. Gibson, R. Alley. Row 2: S. Hulett, A. McKibben, T. Heard, C. Webster, D. Whitham, J. Lewis, K. Meek, L. Barbee, D. Neemann, R. Rightsell, J. Gilpin. Row 3: Mrs. Hunter, M. Boatman, K. Lipham, A. Maheu, C. Lane, L. Deatz, P. Ingram, Mrs. Curfman.

# Young Musicians

Jr. High Band was under the direction of Mr. Ken Greiner and the Chorus was under the direction of Mrs. Lynn Hunter. Mrs. Tamara Curfman was the eighth grade chorus accompanist. At left, Jr. High Twirlers, Row 1: Donna Schoonover, Kelly Lipham (Head), Malisa Groff. Row 2: Marcy Boatman, Dena Hudson (Alternate), Melinda Garst. The Drum Major was Mark Hartman and the Drum Majorette was LeAnn Deatz. The alternate was Angela Husing. Both the directors and students have worked very hard this year.





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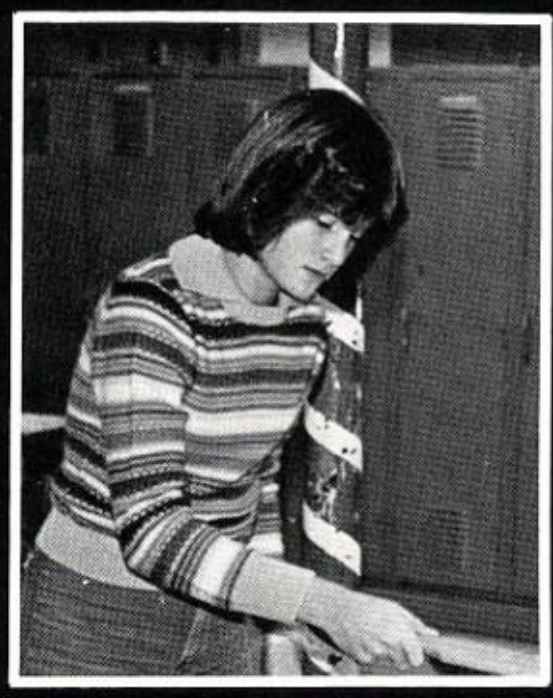
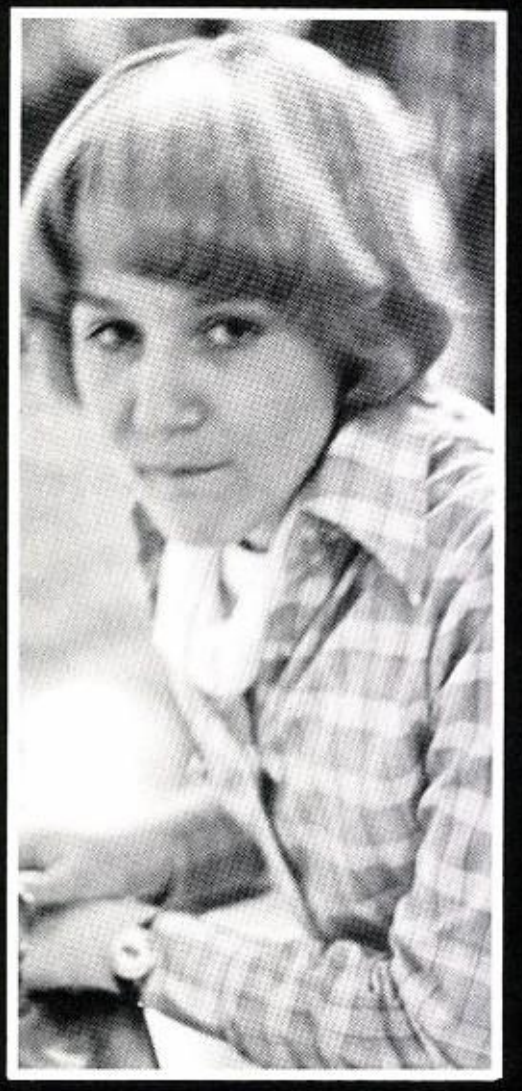
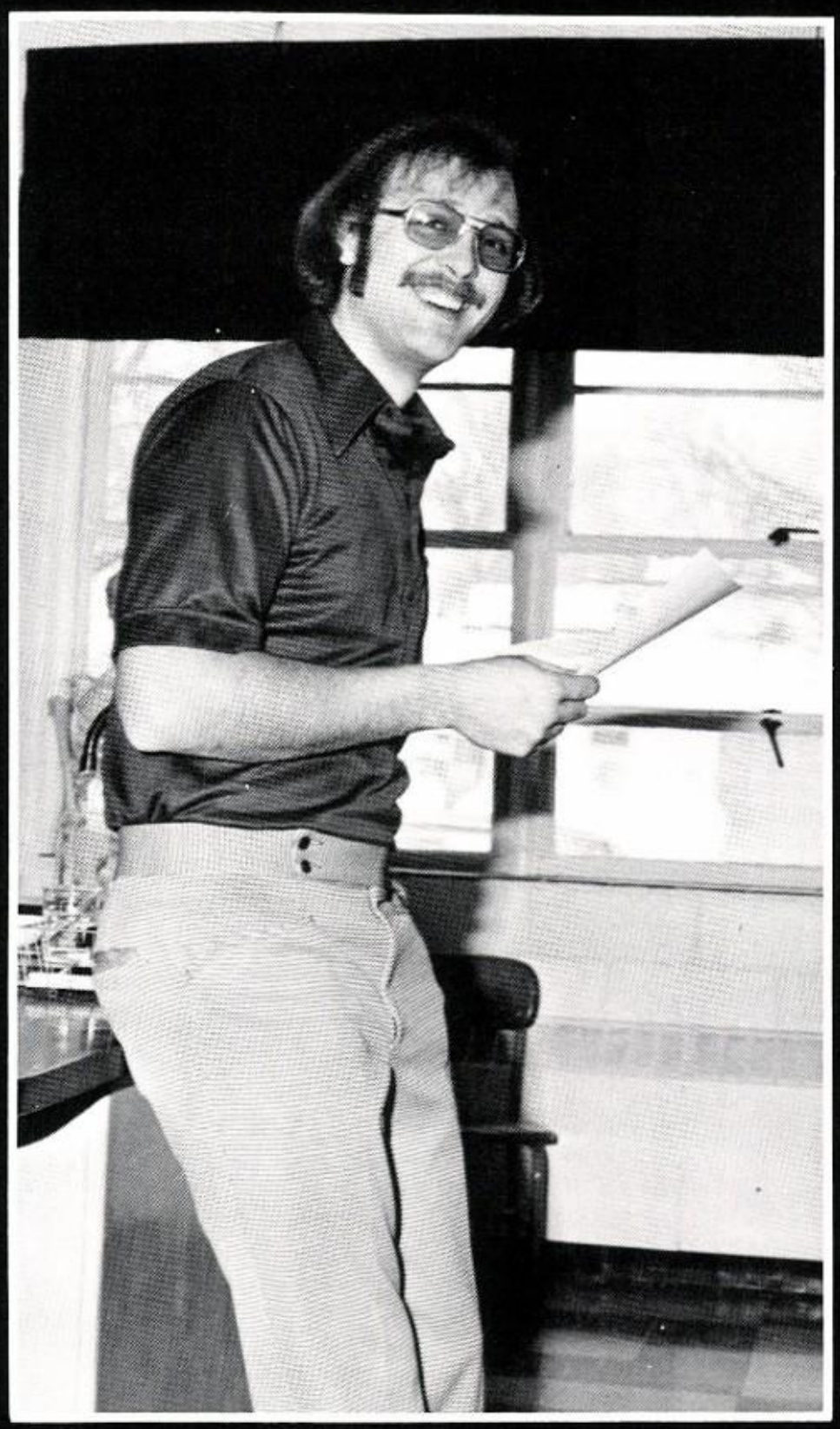
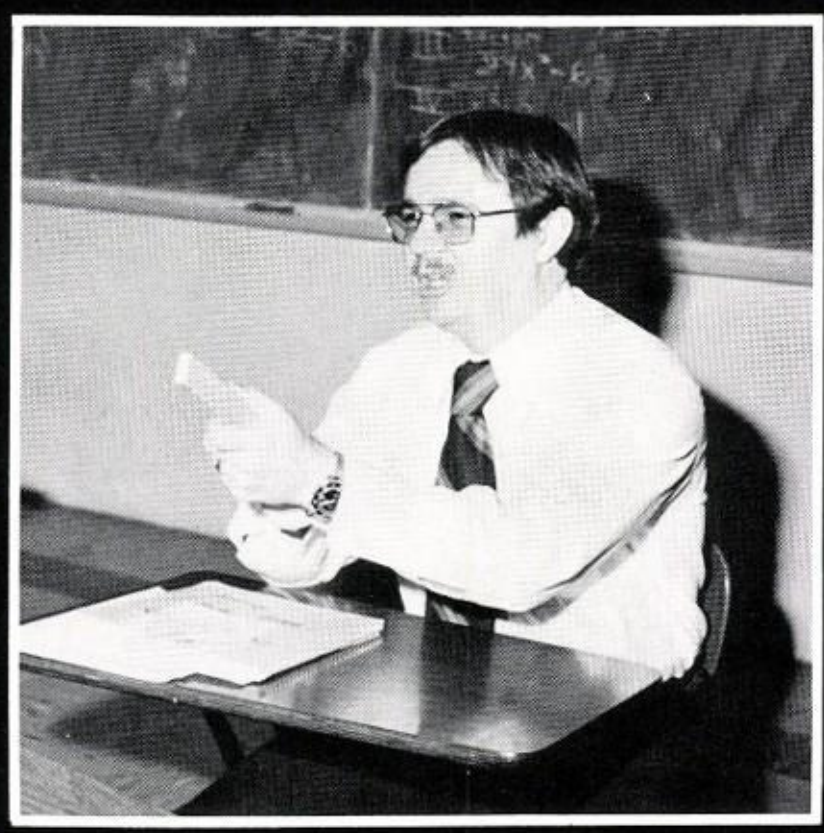


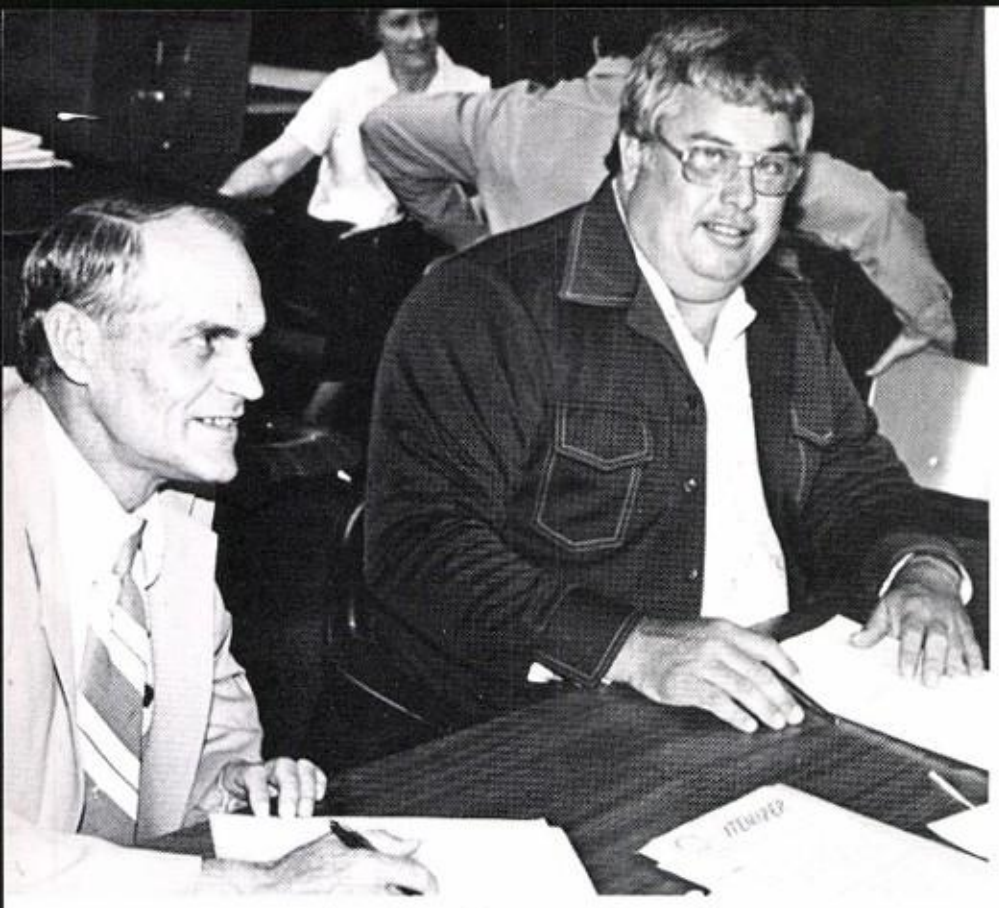




# Faculty

*The man who can*
*make hard things easy*
*is the educator.*





Don Mobley, President and Larry Cooper.

Board Member Jack Scamman.

# School Board Strives for Better School

The school board held various meetings this past year concerning such matters as cheerleading tryouts, the number of activities a student is allowed to participate in and the school budget and funds. At right is the board Treasurer, Paul Tiemeyer. Vice-President Jack Kelly is shown below left. Members of the board shown below right are Billy DeBuhr, Secretary Jennie Howell, and Superintendent Frank Rybnick.

# School Backbone

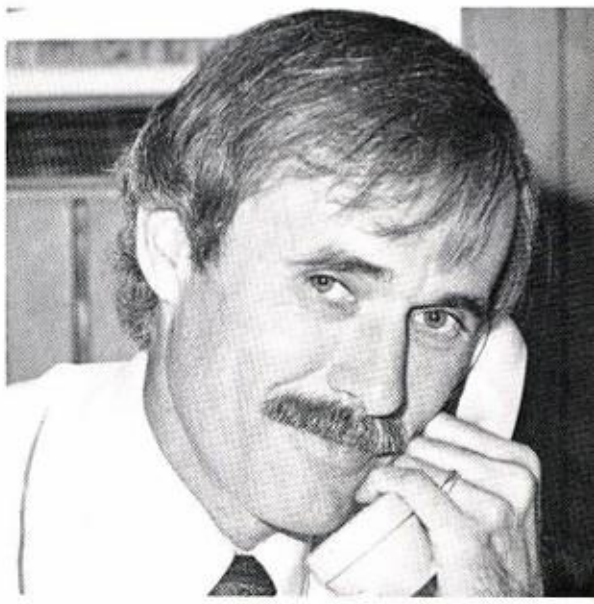
Mrs. Joan Adamson, Elementary Secretary.

The Rock Port High School administration performed along a more rigid basis this year producing an overall more effective result. Students experienced several new rules and policies instituted such as receiving daily grades, carrying a ruler from the classroom you depart from, and also receiving make-up assignments for the days you were absent from a particular class. The administration is truly the backbone of the school system, utilizing vital communication and compromising methods to achieve higher standards and better goals. Pictured at left is Mrs. Wilma Grubb, Elementary Principal.

Mr. Robert Couldry, High School Principal, and Mrs. Betty Thomas, High School Secretary.

Mrs. Lois Ingebritzen, Teacher's Aide.

Mr. Steve Scamman, Administrative Assistant and COE Director.



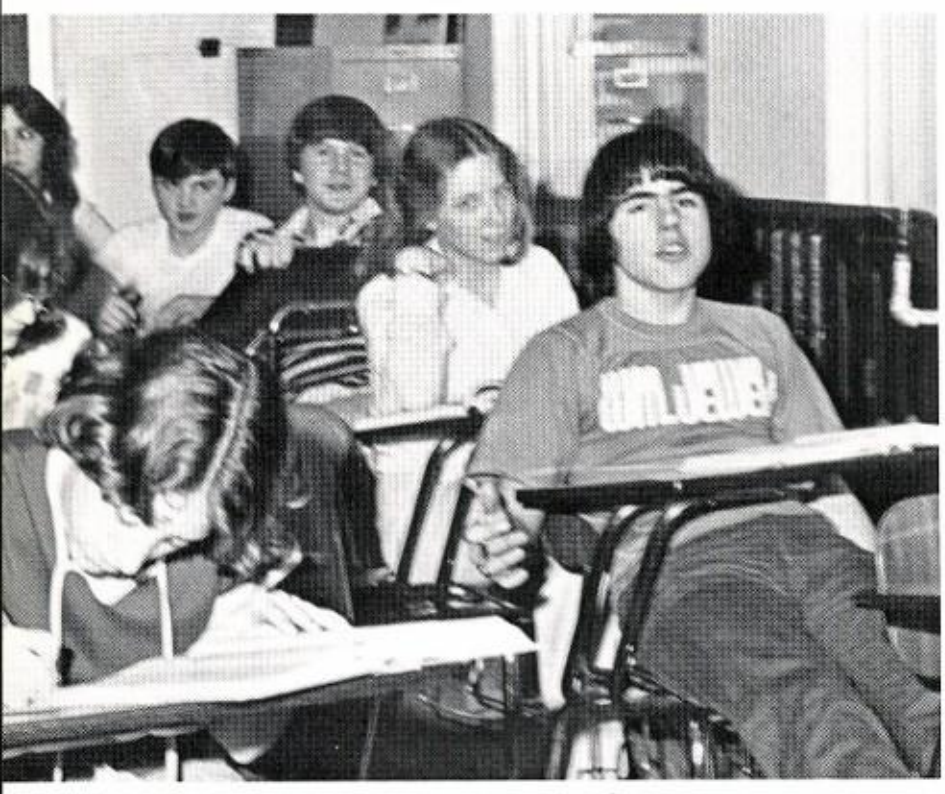
Mrs. Jennie Howell, Secretary; Mr. Frank Rybnick, Superintendent.

# Creative Thinking

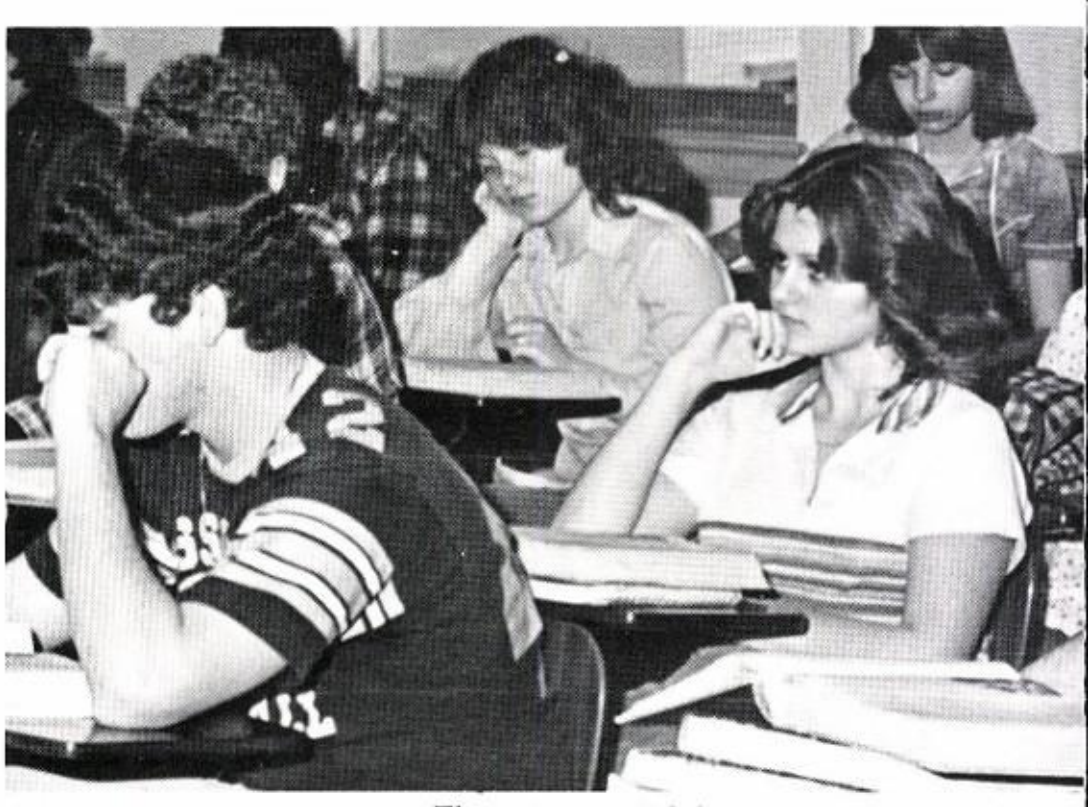
Mrs. Barb Marquart, pictured at right, taught the following classes: Paragraphs, Themes, Research and Critical Papers, Appreciation of Literature and Creative Writing. Paragraphs taught you the basics of writing, while in Creative Writing you wrote stories and went deeper into the field of writing. Research and Critical Papers taught you how to write term papers. Ms. Arlene Sollars classes this year consisted of: Appreciation of Literature, Grammar, Beginning Theatre and Speech. In Beginning Theatre you learned alot about basic make-up techniques, parts of a theatre and history of drama. Speech class was devoted to learning how to write and present a good speech. Appreciation of Literature gave you a good background of short stories, plays, and poetry, while Grammar taught you how to apply the usage of words into making good sentences.

Time for some serious thinking.

Roger????!



Julie makes a speech.



The minutes tick by.

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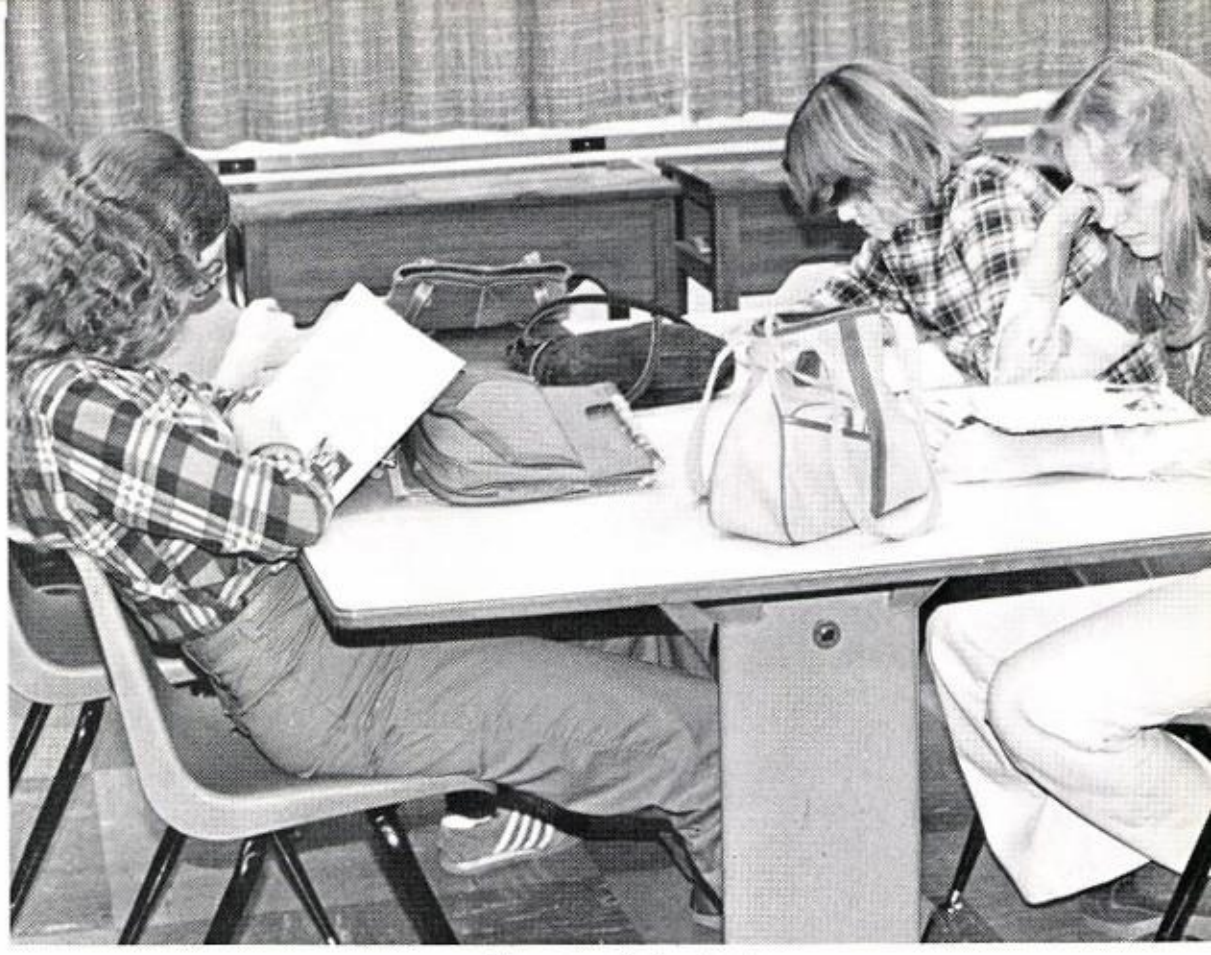


Engrossed in study.

# Tomorrow's Homemakers

This year Ms. Janette Wessler, pictured at left, classes were: Marriage and Family Living, Advanced Clothing, Home Economics I and II, Child Development and Personal Management. Besides learning to cook and sew, they also planned houses and learned the way a child develops. Personal Management class consisted of learning more about you and bettering yourself.

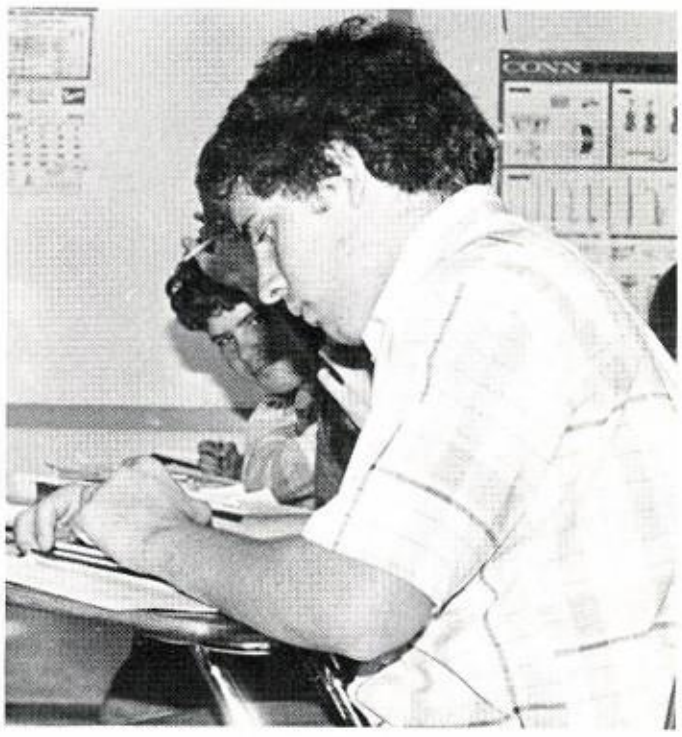
Kathie tries her hand at sewing.

Elaine mixes it up.

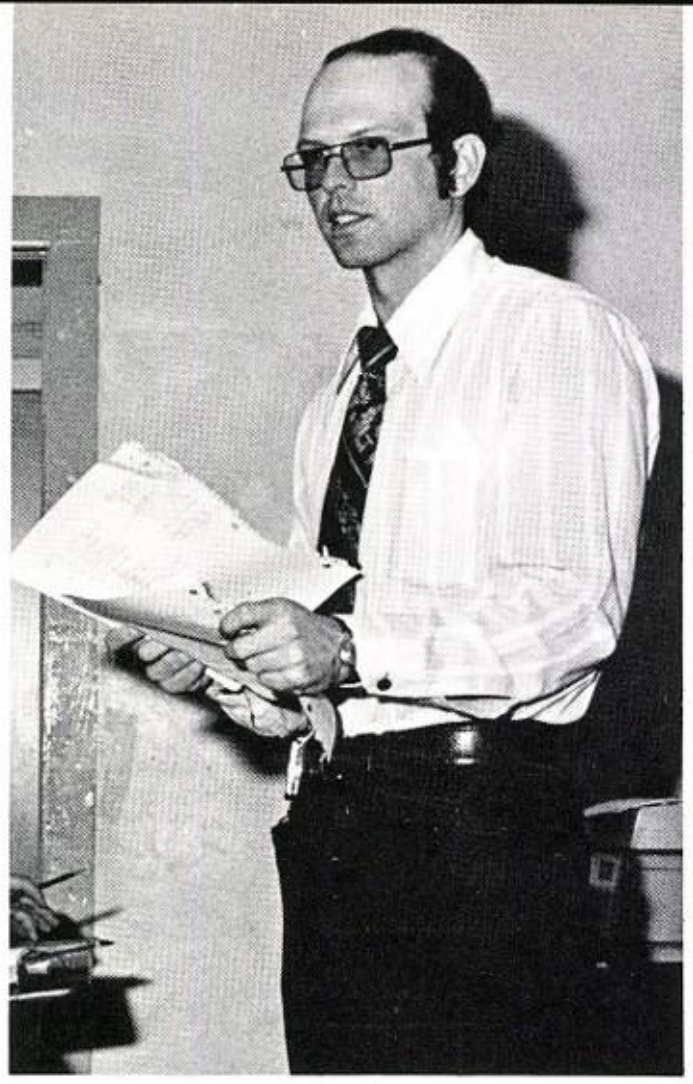
Shawna cuts a pattern.

# Summing it Up

Freak looks confused.

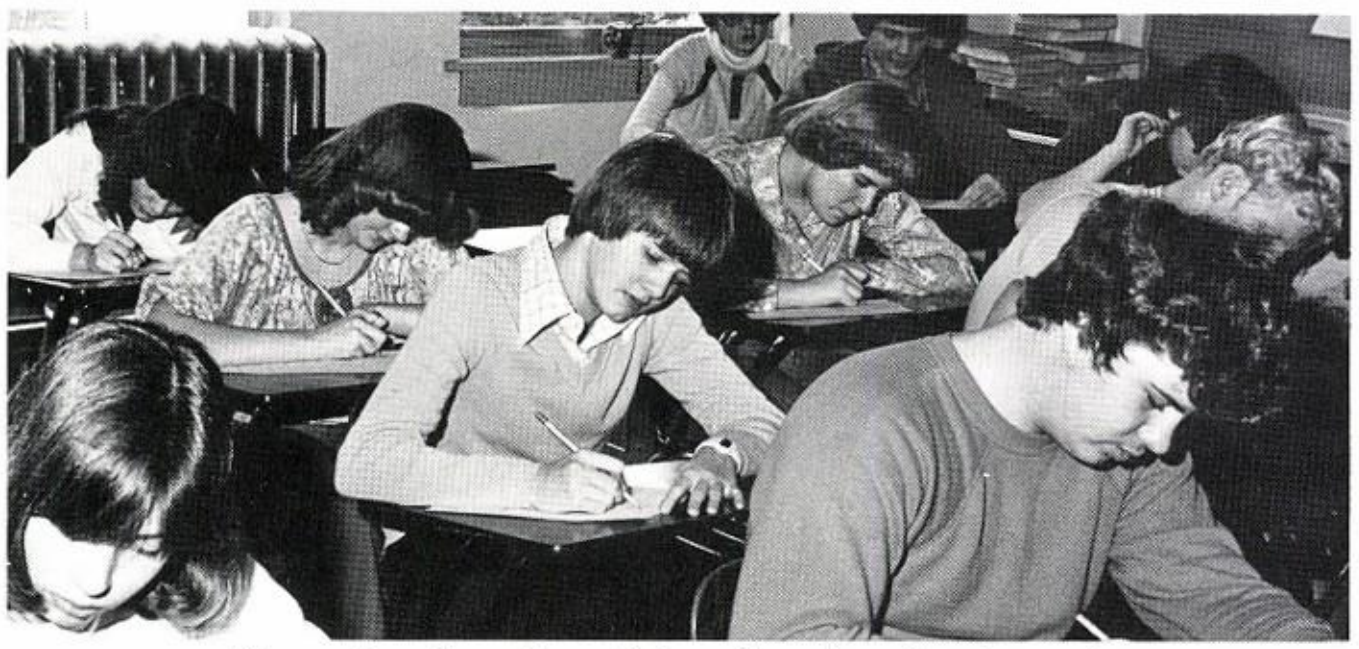


Eric looks busy.



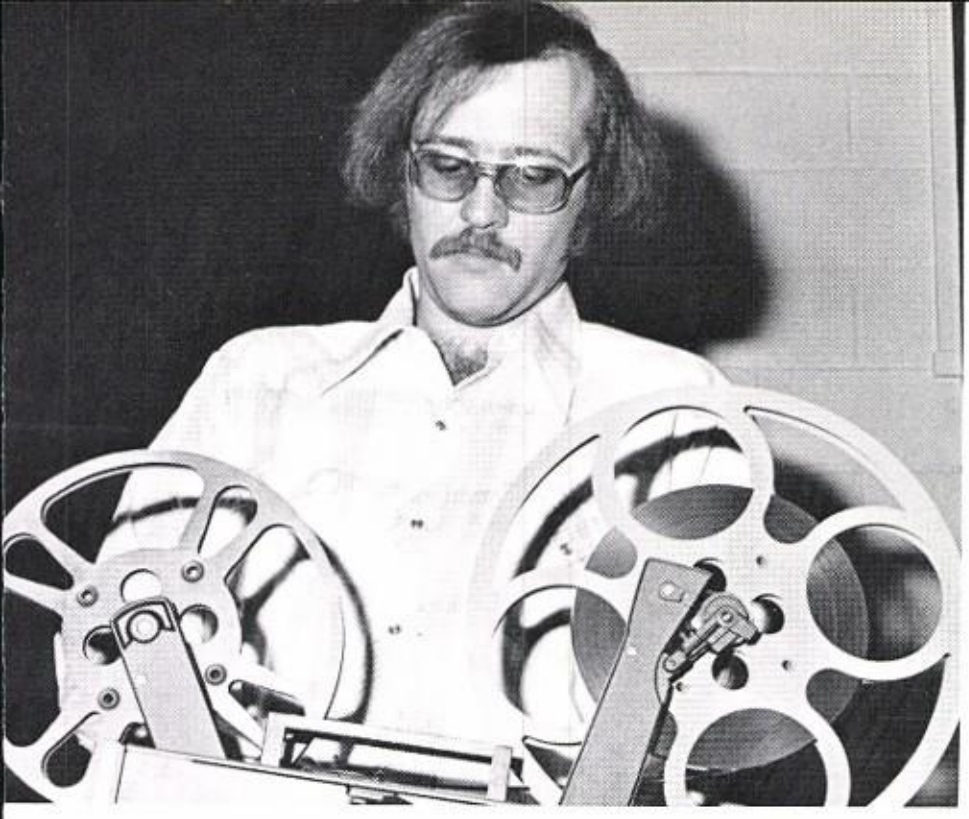
Mr. Bachle lectures.

The Professor.



Above: Busy, busy, busy. Below: Gary doesn't understand.

RPHS's math department had an added dimension this year, with the acquisition of Mr. Charles Bachle. Mr. Bachle eased the workload on the other teachers by taking two Algebra 1 classes as well as a variety of science classes. The Algebra 1 classes learned the primary rules of factoring and had a small taste of graphing. Mr. Wayne Moore taught the more advanced math courses such as Geometry, Algebra 11, Physics, and Trigonometry. Each of these courses was specialized in its own way, and each one was an extension of the one preceding it. Mrs. Carol Harmon taught the remaining students in her functional math classes.



# Mad Scientists

The science department was expanded this year by Mr. Charles Bachle, who taught Biology, Physical Science, and Earth Science. Mr. George Radtke also taught two Physical Science classes on top of the more advanced courses, like Chemistry, Advanced Chemistry, and Advanced Biology.

In the Biology classes the students learned the precise methods of dissecting, including identifying and removing various organs. Physical Science classes learned the basics of chemistry and atomic structure, while the Earth Science class studied various aspects about the earth. Chemistry class studied advanced atomic structure and chemical reactions.

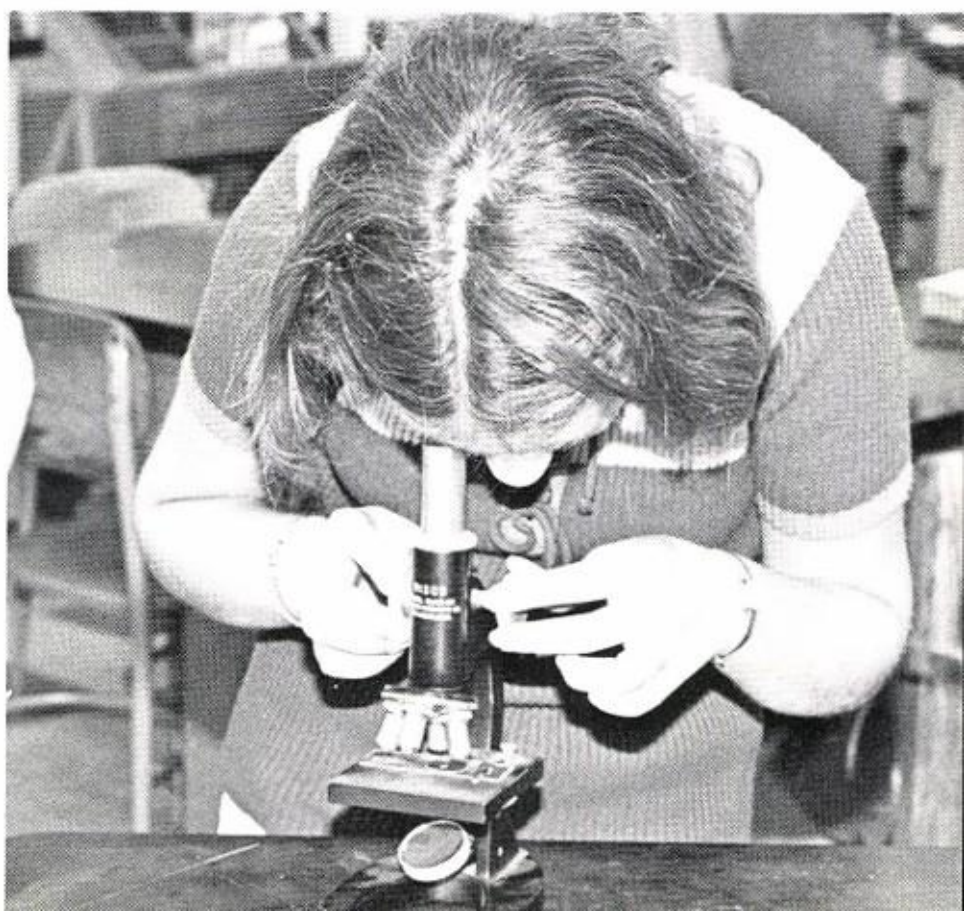
Sharmyn at work.

Laura and Lisa take a test.

Mr. Bachle takes a break.

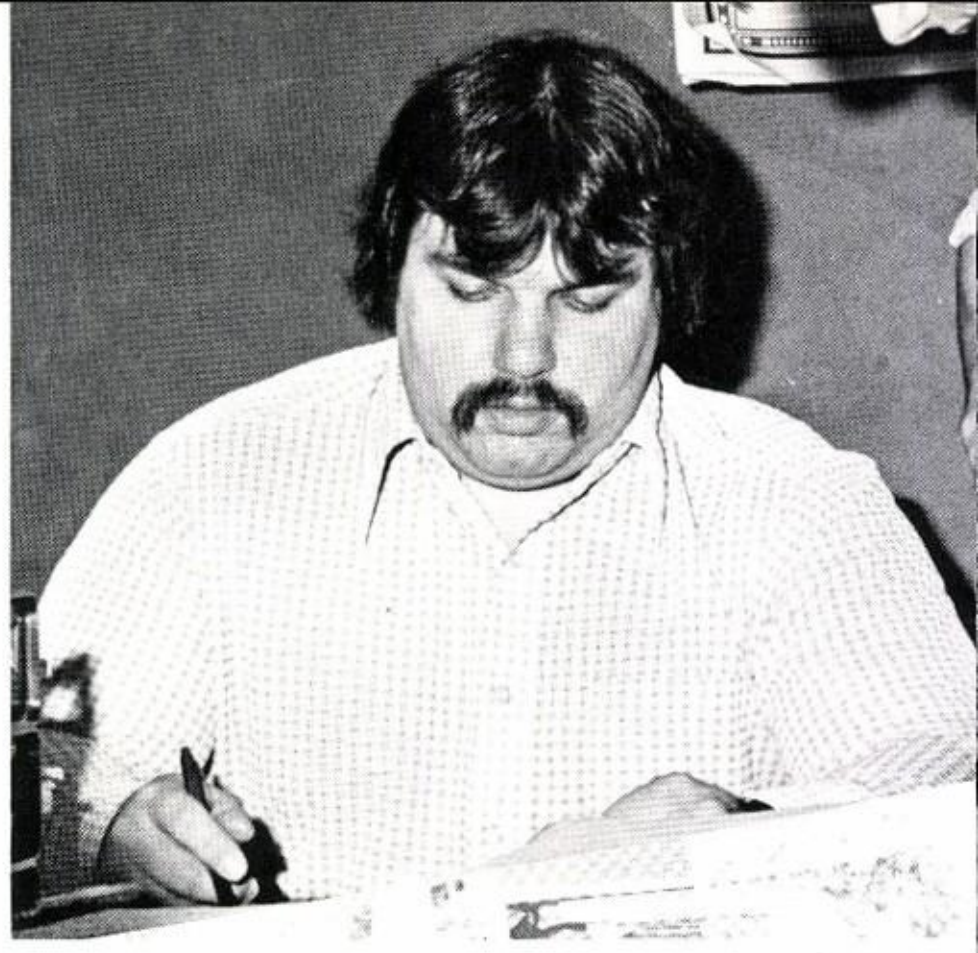
"Hungry or what"

Looking at slides.

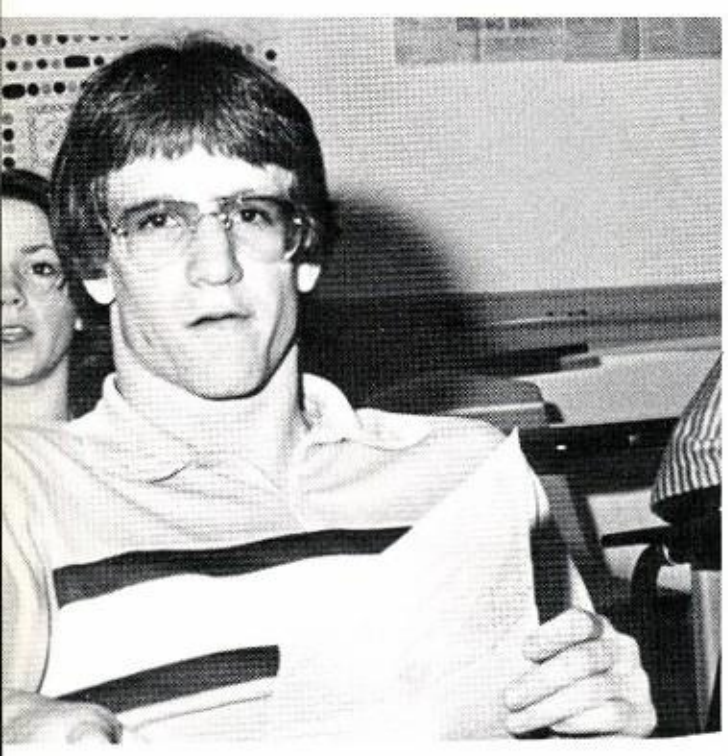


# *Learning of the Past, for the Future*

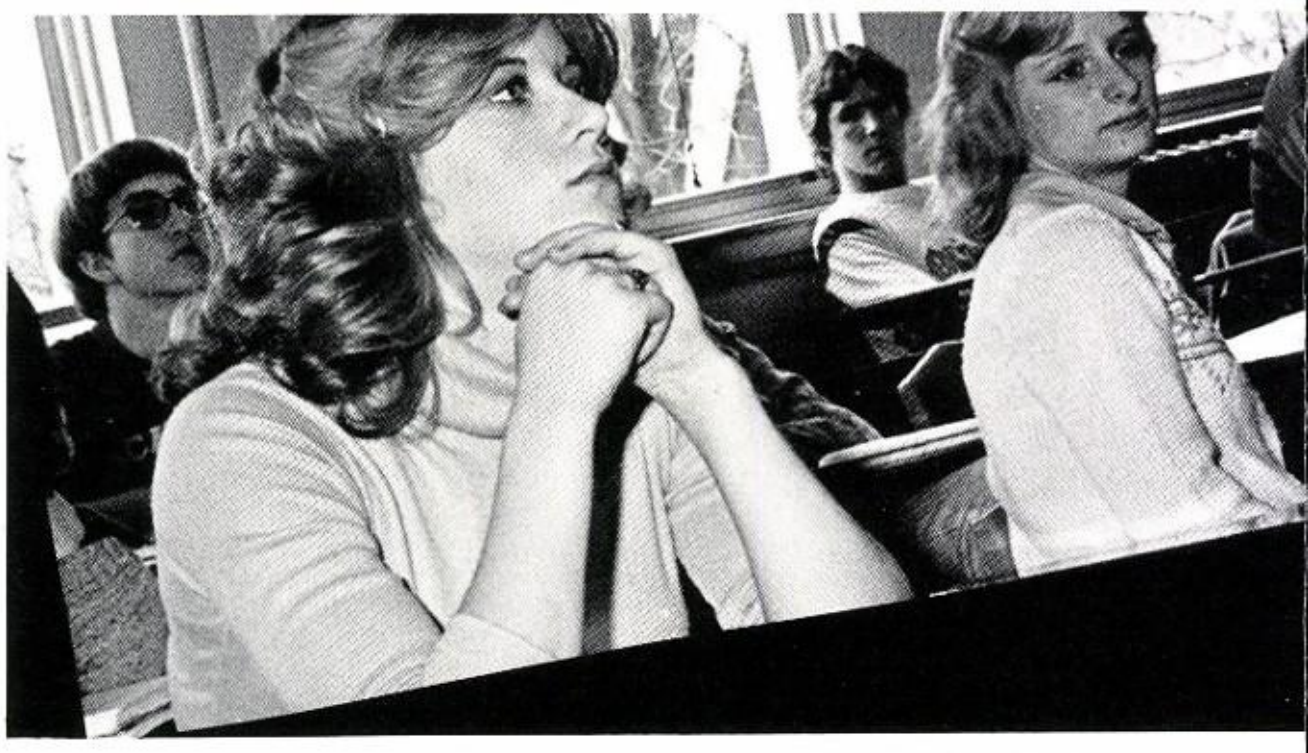
This year along with his usual classes of American History and World History, Mr. Gene Finke also taught Decisions. This is a class based on trying to help a student decide on his or her future. Mr. Mark Dulgarian taught Psychology, health, American Government, and Geography. At right: Mr. Mark Dulgarian a fine teacher and a loyal friend. Below: If looks could kill.



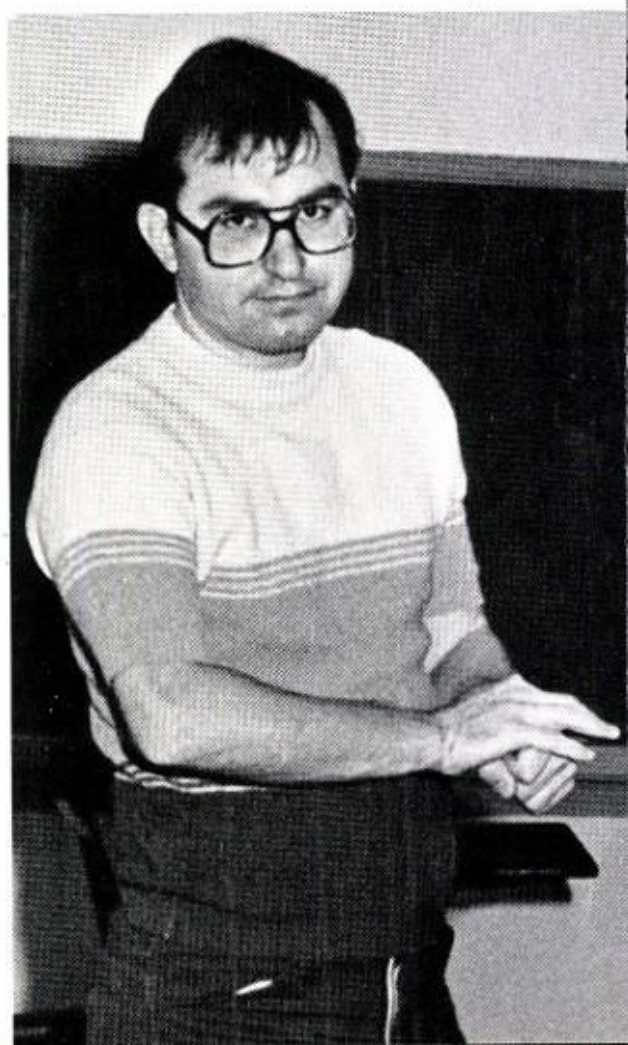
Kim and Am[illegible] re [illegible] [illegible] of what was.



We'll get them after school.

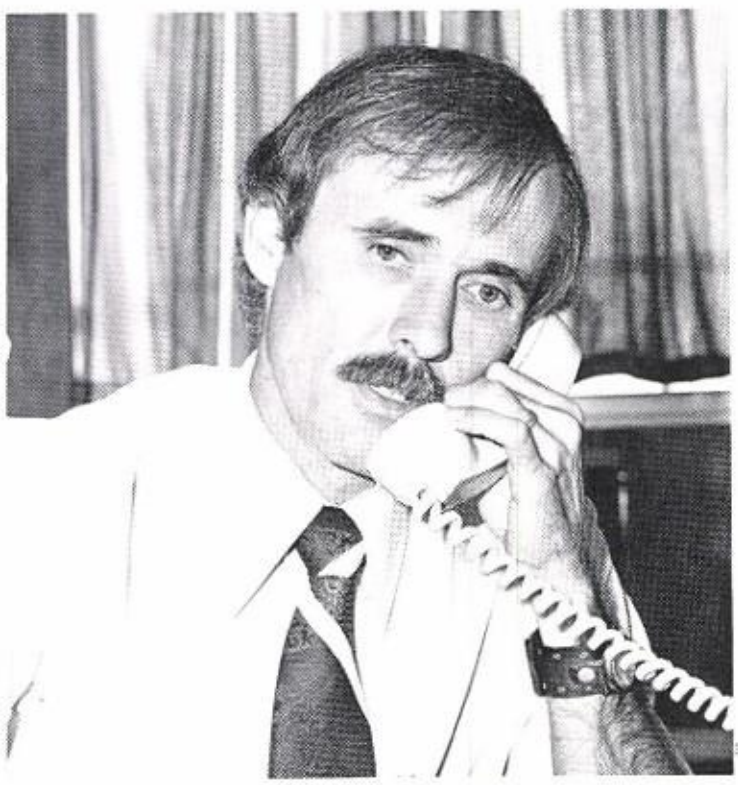


Mr. Gene Finke and that's the way it was.



I can see the world!

Elaine works at the drive-in window.



Mr. Scamman, COE Director.

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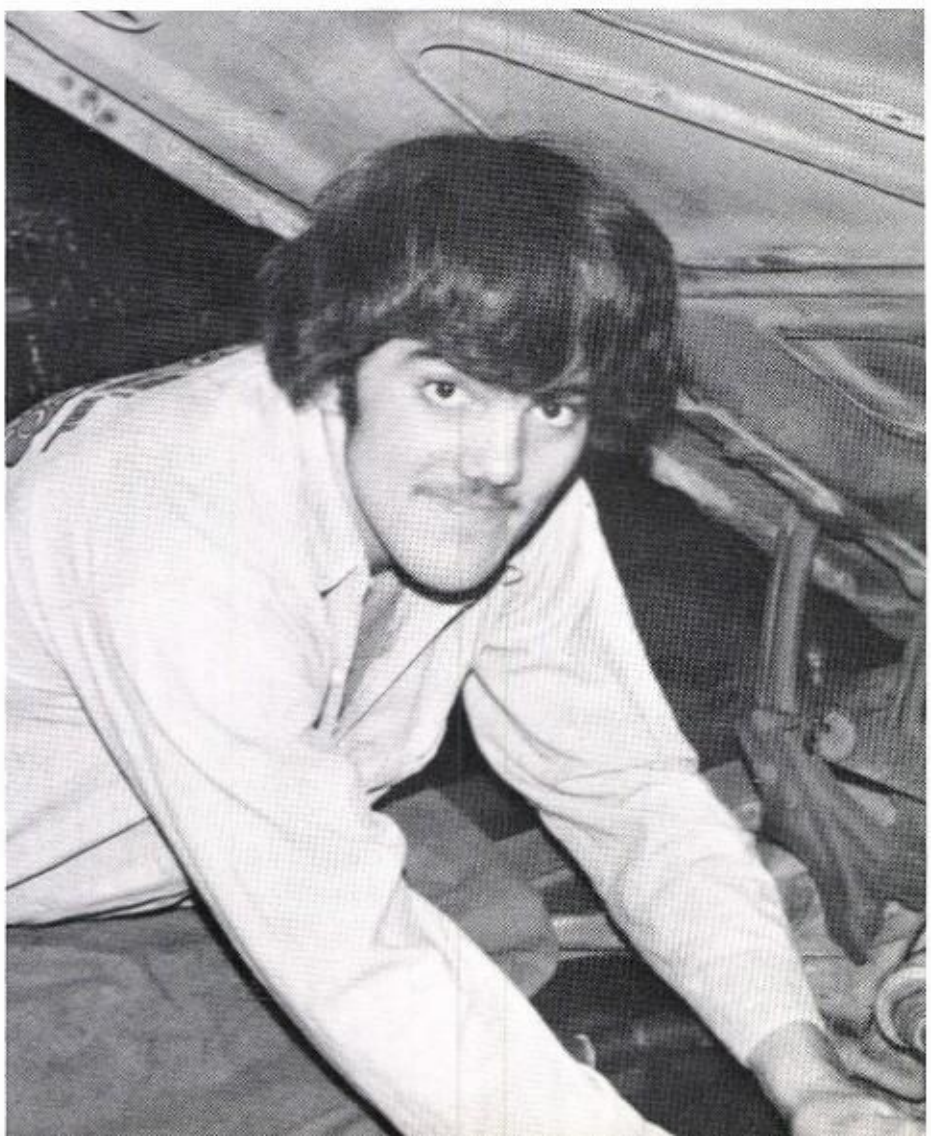
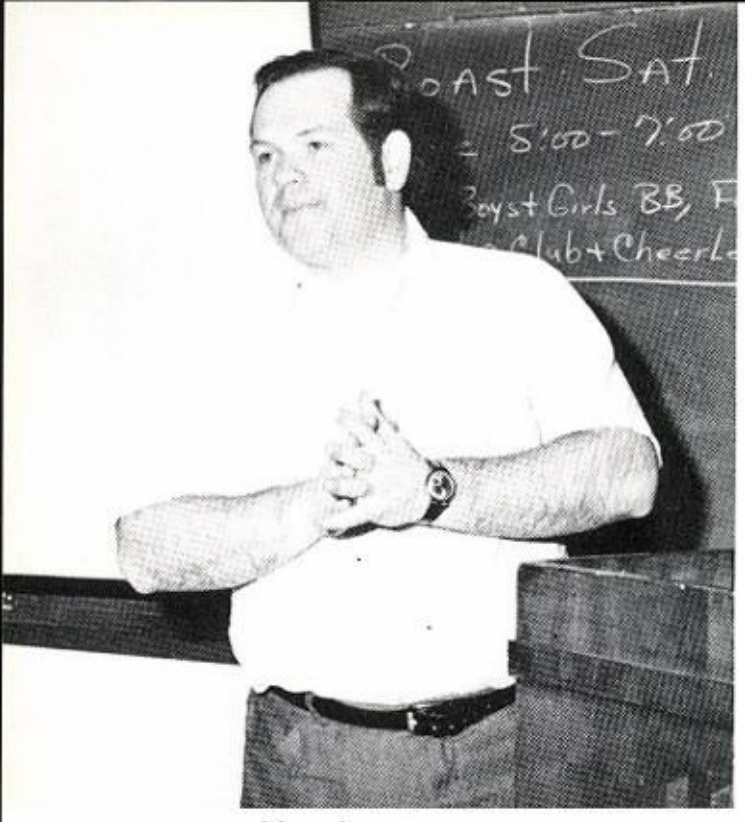


# Gaining Experience

This year's COE class has ten students. These students worked at various places of business each school day for a minimum of two hours and earning a salary while they worked. There is also classroom work for one hour each day. Some of the areas discussed in classroom discussion were: orientation to employment and the world of work, employer-employee relations, coworker relations, job applications and interviews, federal income taxes, and an investigation of various occupations. Two periods a day were allocated for employment with some students working as many as three. Each student needs a minimum of ten hours per week employment in order to receive credit for employment. COE students for this year, Row 1: C. Rosenbohm, M. Haynes, B. Perry. Row 2: M. Danley, E. McMahon, J. Stoner. Row 3: R. Clark, M. Walker. Row 4: M. Pierce and G. McCall. Mr. Steve Scamman instructed this class. At left: Now this is what you call an engine!

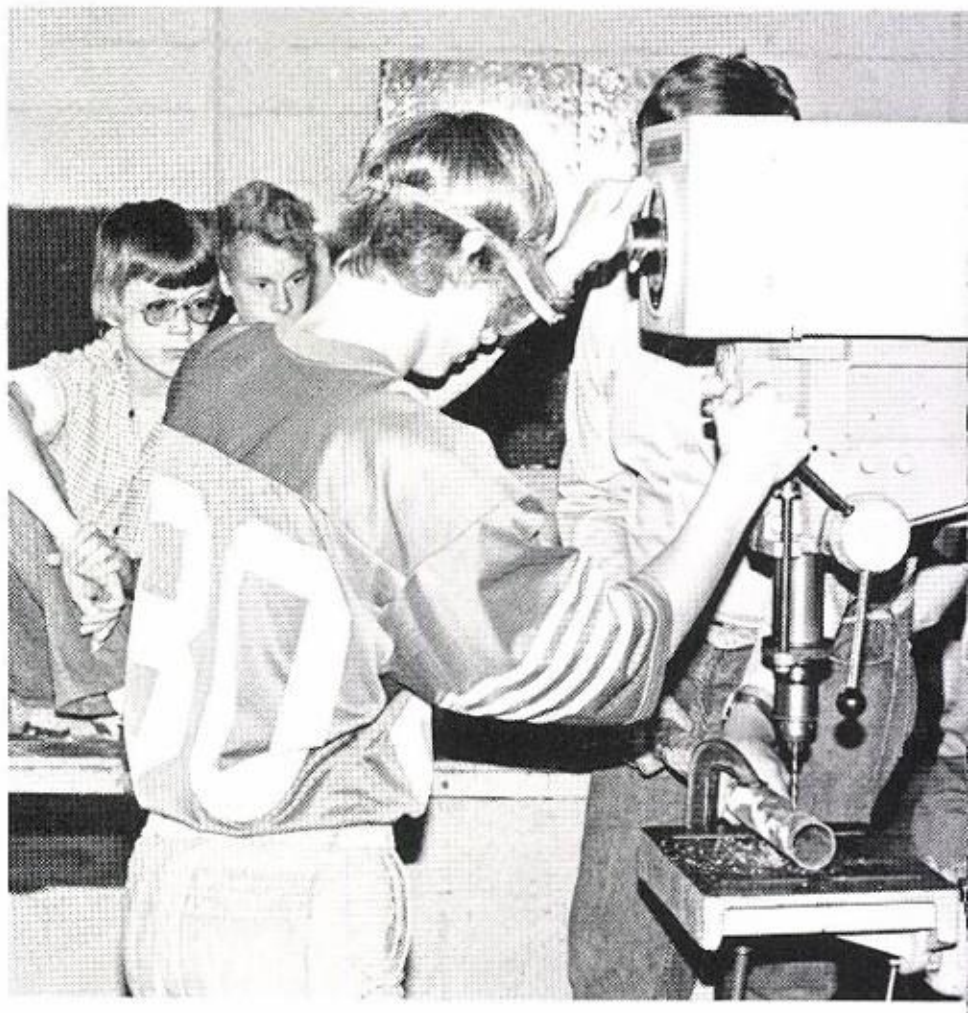



Now boys . . . .

Jim nears the completion of a farrowing house.

# Young Farmers

Mr. John Pearce (pictured above), instructor of Ag, kept busy with Ag I, Ag II, Ag III and AOE for the full year and Small Gas Engines and Ag Construction for one semester each. Ag I studied the history and purposes of FFA, welding, woodworking, and animal sciences. Ag II learned identification and judging of field crops and weed seeds, meat judging, welding and wood projects, learning how to use power equipment, and soil characteristics. Ag III was a class on Farm Management. The students studied livestock, crops, chemicals, and fertilizers, and planned a farm. AOE consisted of three students working on farms. In Ag Construction the students could build anything ranging in size from car ramps to picnic tables to loading chutes. In small Gas Engines class, the students had to tear down and rebuild a minimum of three small gas engines. At right: Pat demonstrates drilling.



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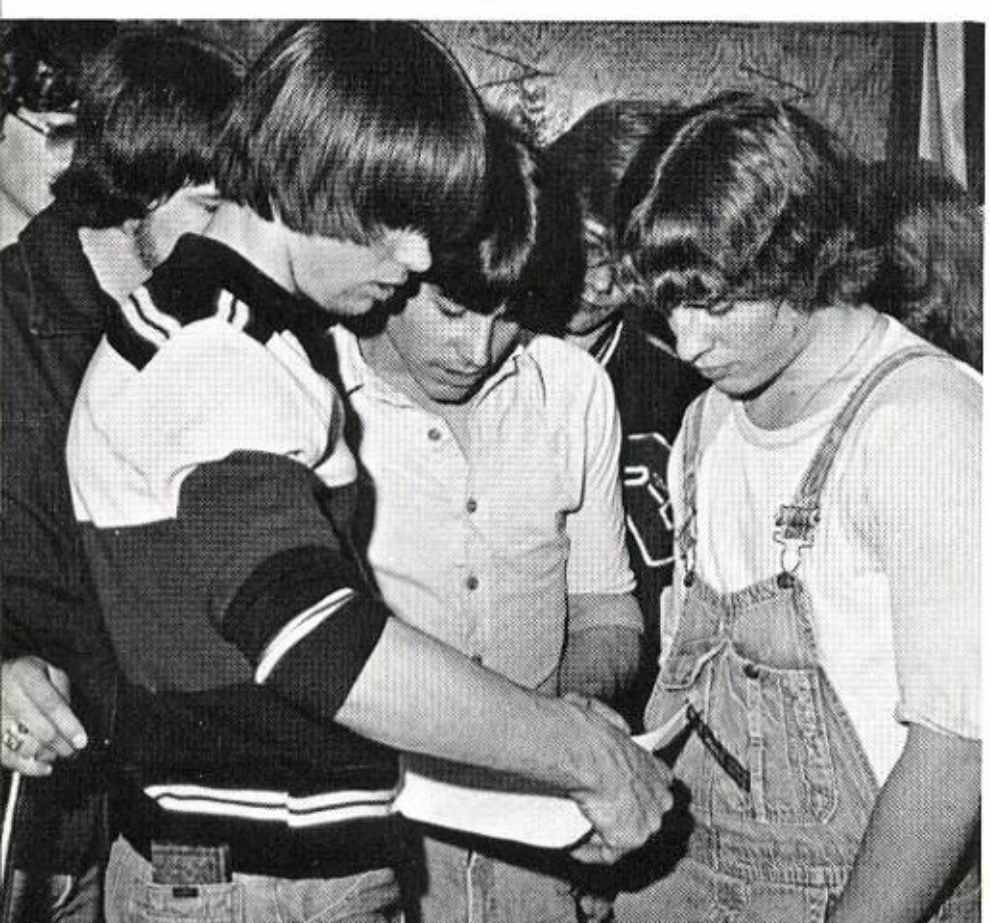
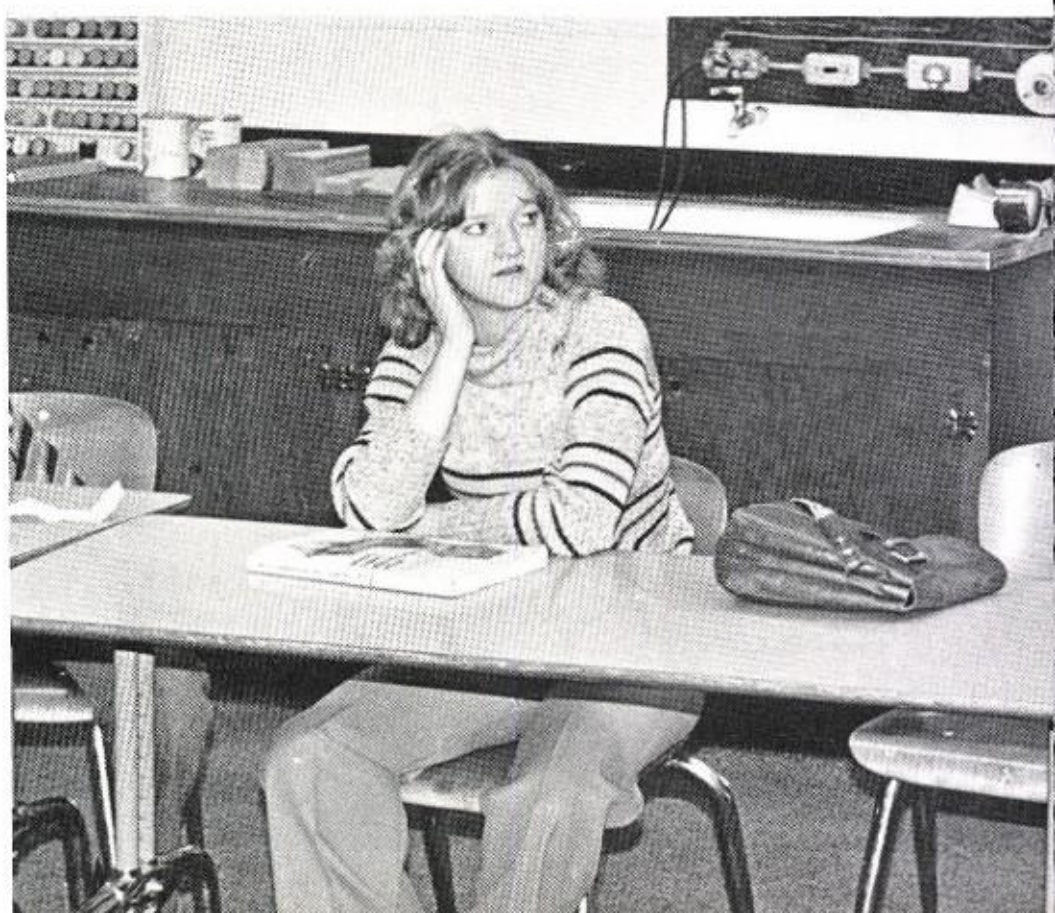
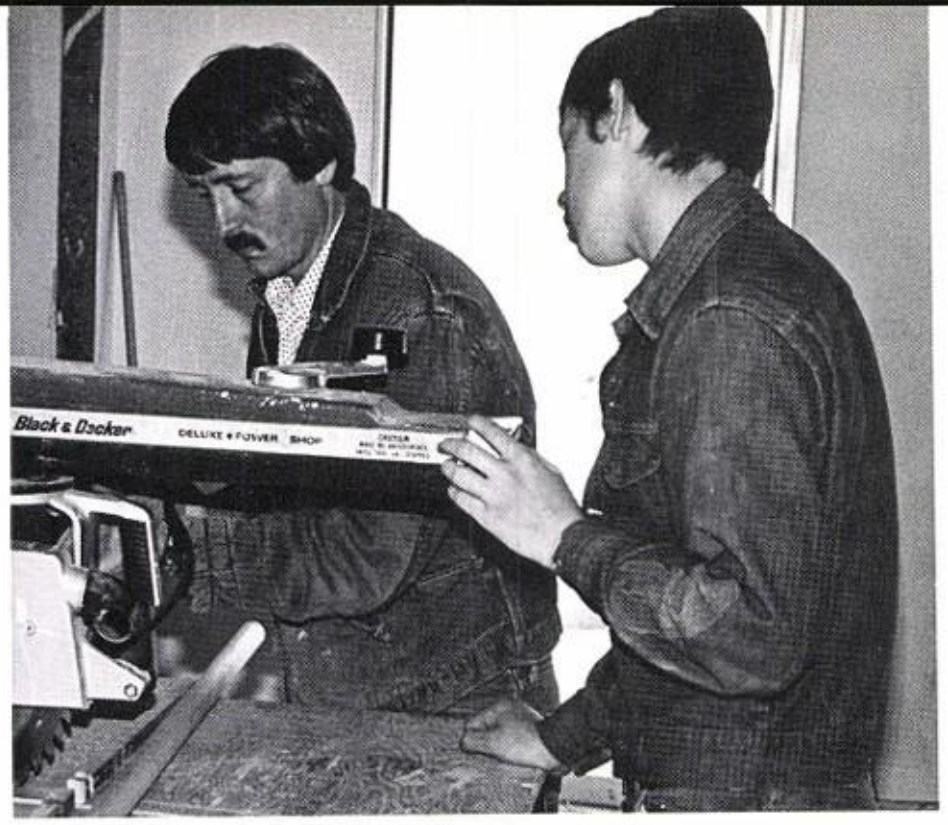


Burned out!



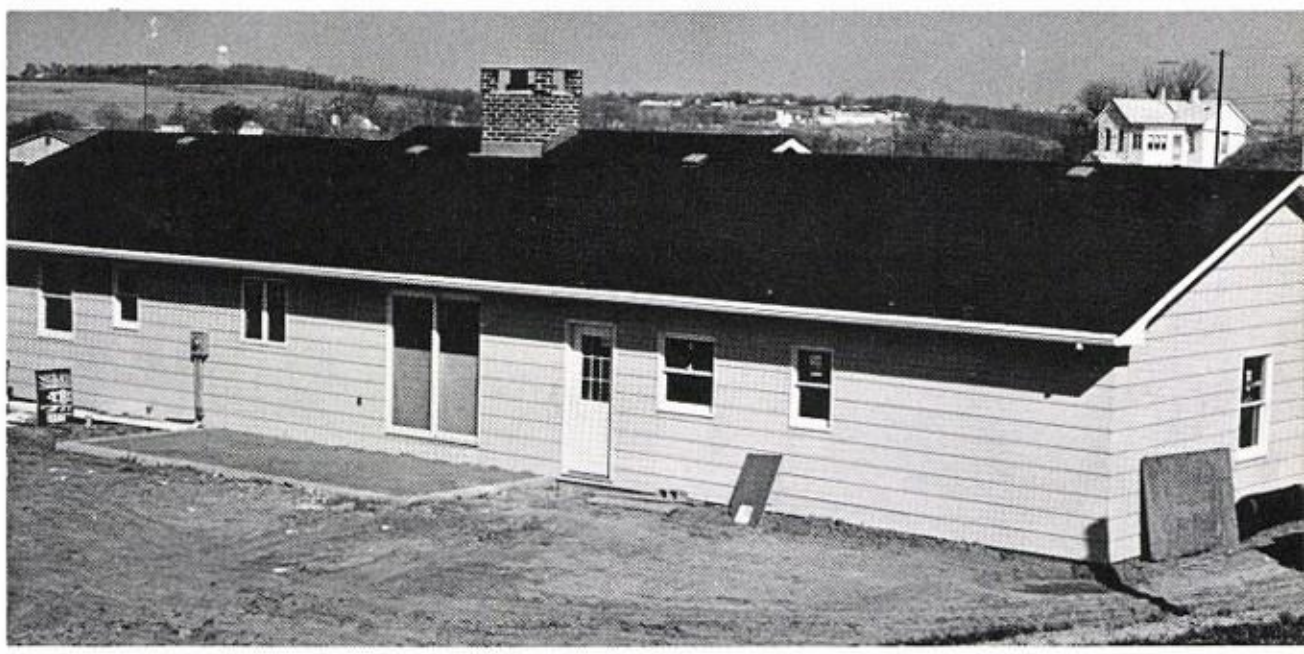
# Learning New Skills

Mr. Raymond Eickhoff had a busy year teaching high school students in drafting, woodworking and general shop. His students made projects from leather, various types of wood and metals. Mr. Don Bryan and his carpentry class constructed a house. This is the seventh year for this project in which the students work three hours a day. Below left: Mary works on the lathe. Below: The carpentry house.

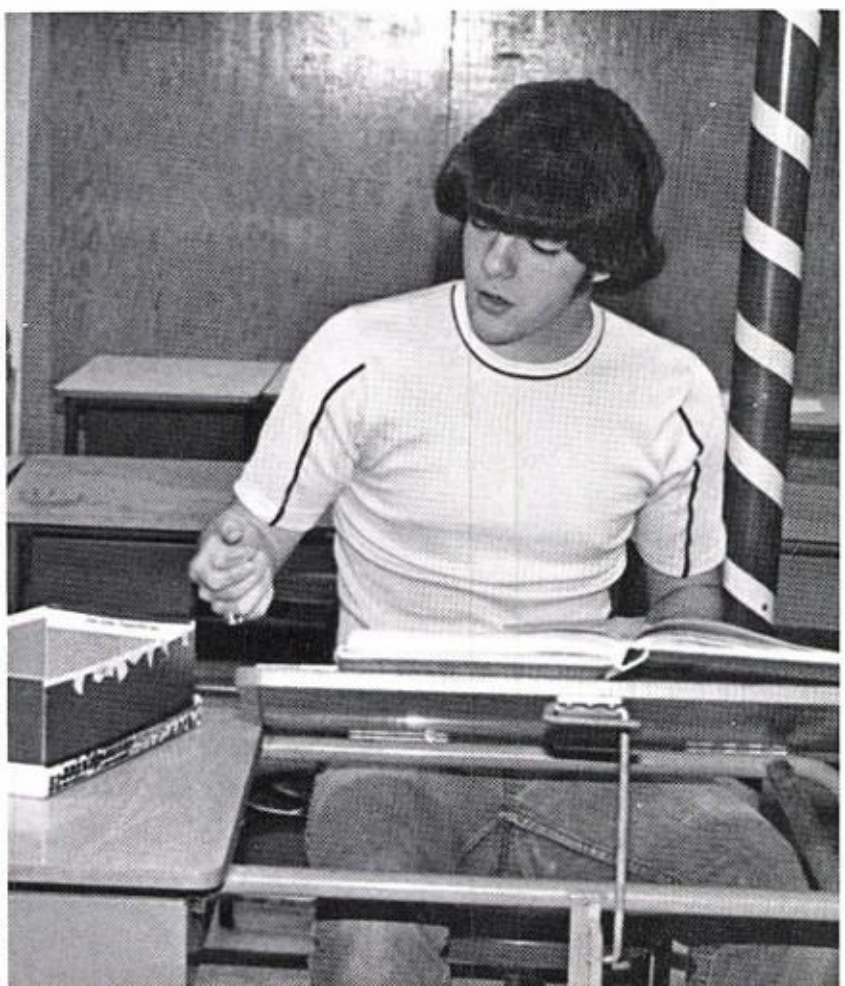



Mr. Bryan helps Chuck.

Where did it go???



Mr. Eickhoff explains instructions.



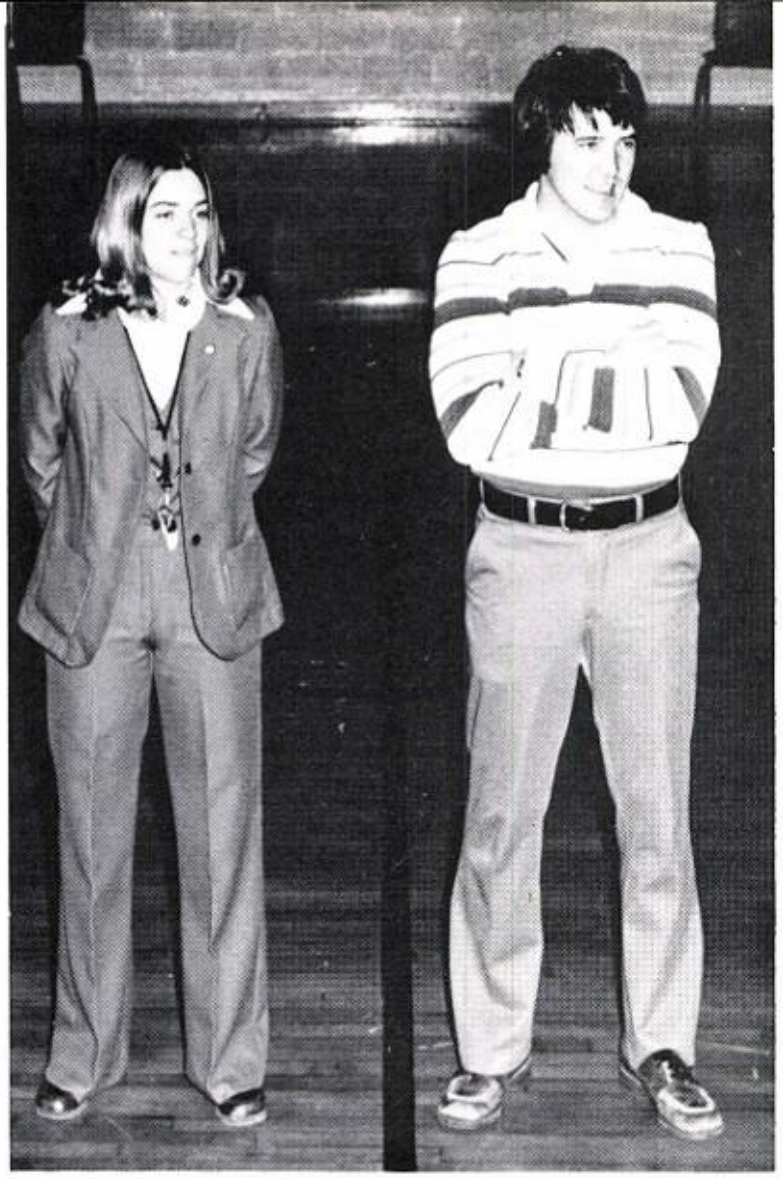
Helena keeps busy.

Julie and Susan hard at work?

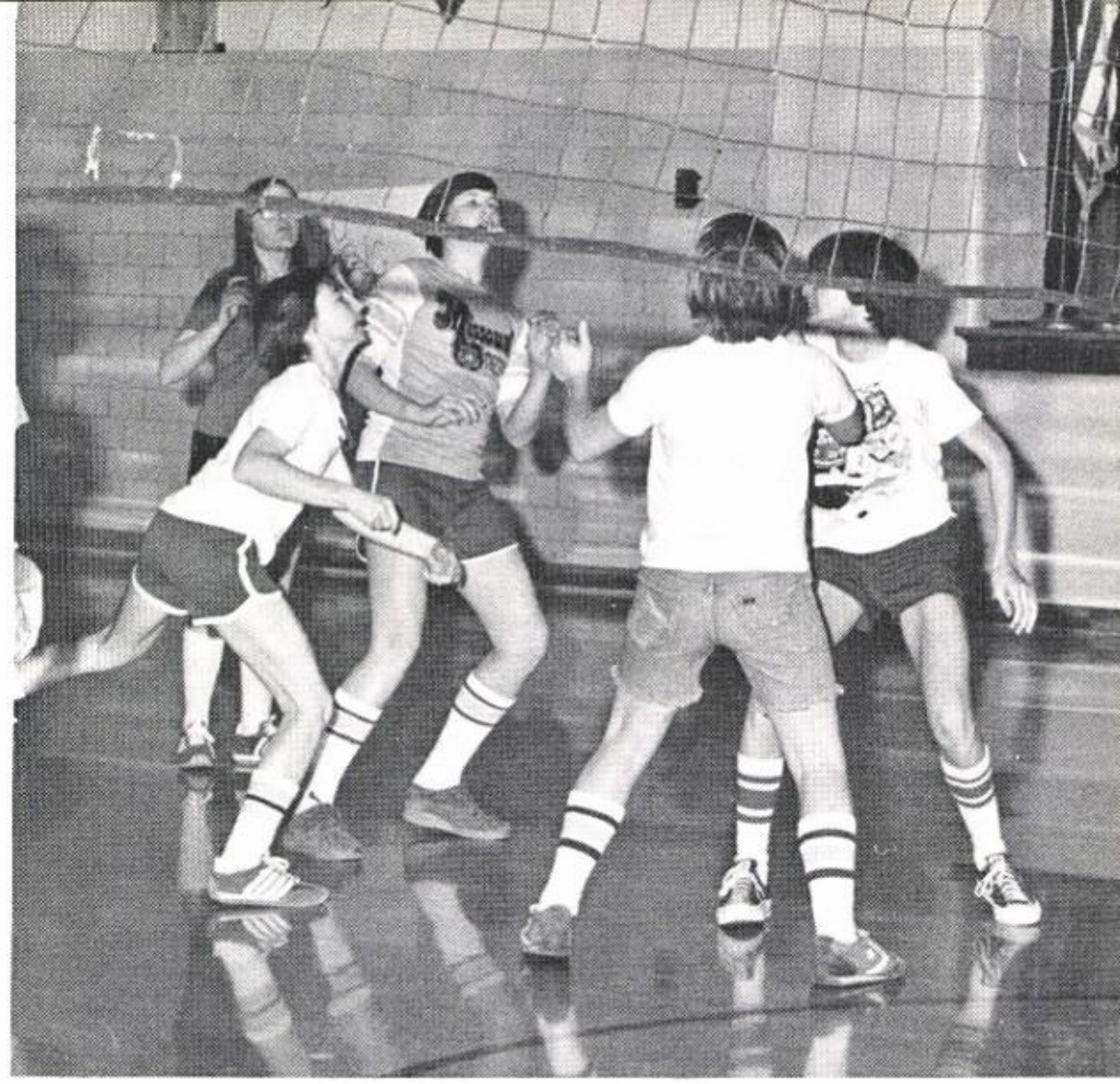
# Gaining Experience

Preparing students for the world of business this year were, Mrs. Kathy Runkles and Mrs. Diana White, pictured at right. Teaching Business Law, Business Math, Recordkeeping, Basic Business, Bookkeeping 1 and 11, and Business English kept Mrs. White's hands full. Mrs. Runkles taught Typing, C.O.P., Publications, and Shorthand. Mrs. Runkles' typing classes enjoyed the pleasure of doing jobs and timed writings, while Mrs. White's classes went on field trips and had guest speakers. Both teachers gave their students practice sets which included work they would have to do in various fields of business.

Aw, come on!

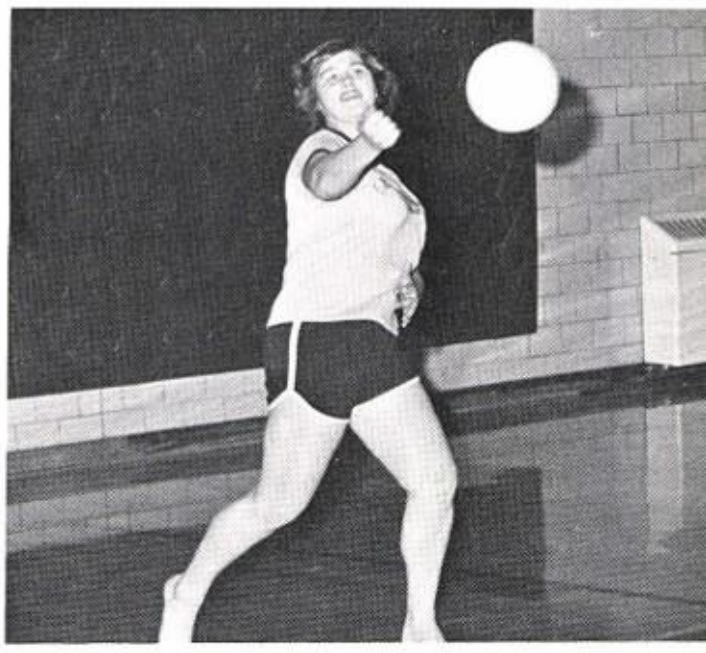


Coaches Rader and Brubaker.

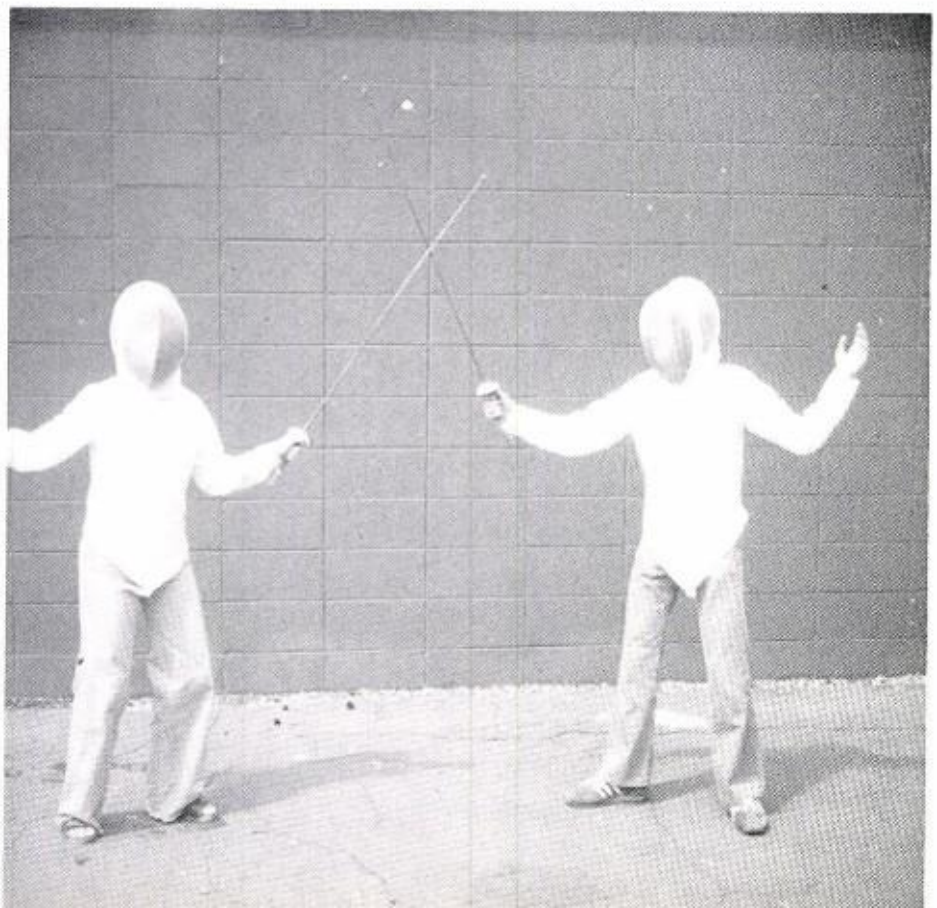


"I got it!"

They all got along soooooo good.



"Take that!"



# First Year for Co-ed PE

Mr. Mike Rader and Ms. Vickie Brubaker shared the responsibility of a first. This year they had coed physical education classes. Each taught this new class one semester. Some of the units covered by the students were; fencing, badminton, volleyball, softball, flag football, bowling, and physical fitness. They also had a winter sports unit consisting of ice skating, sledding and "Anything Goes" in the snow. The students had a lot of fun and are looking forward to it again next year. At left: On guard!!

Leslie daydreams.

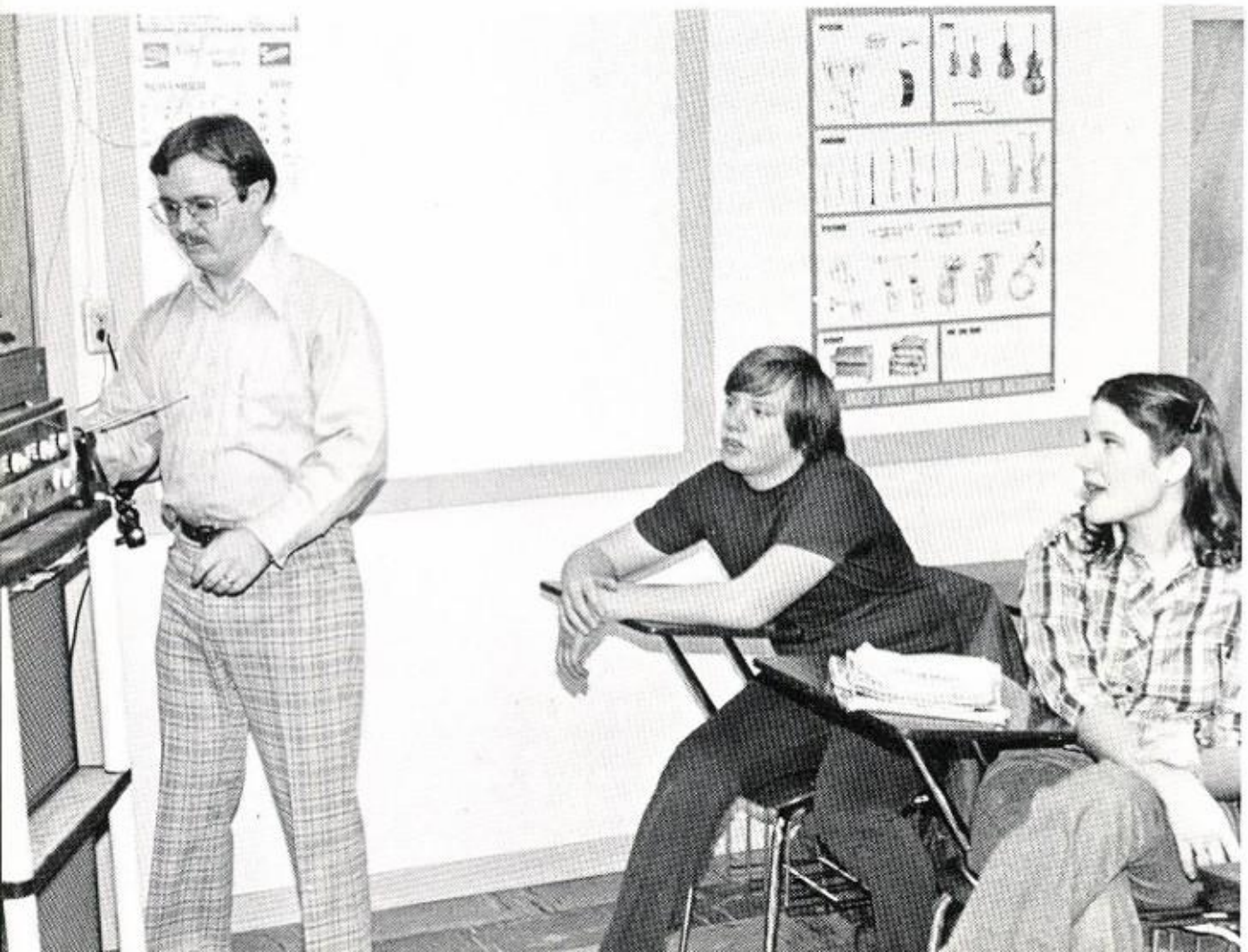
Mrs. Hunter watches her dancers intently.

# Artistic Students

The Performing Arts classes under the direction of Mrs. Lynn Hunter created many new dances this year. They also read plays and poems, performed gymnastics, and sang selections from chorus folders. They also did some outdoor jogging and performed various skits. The music appreciation classes under the direction of Mr. Ken Greiner listened to everything from disco to classical music, they also studied the history of different musicians. The art classes were taught by Ms. Barbara Huber. The art classes did some interesting things such as painting ceiling tiles, molding clay and using water paints. At right: Juniors perform better.

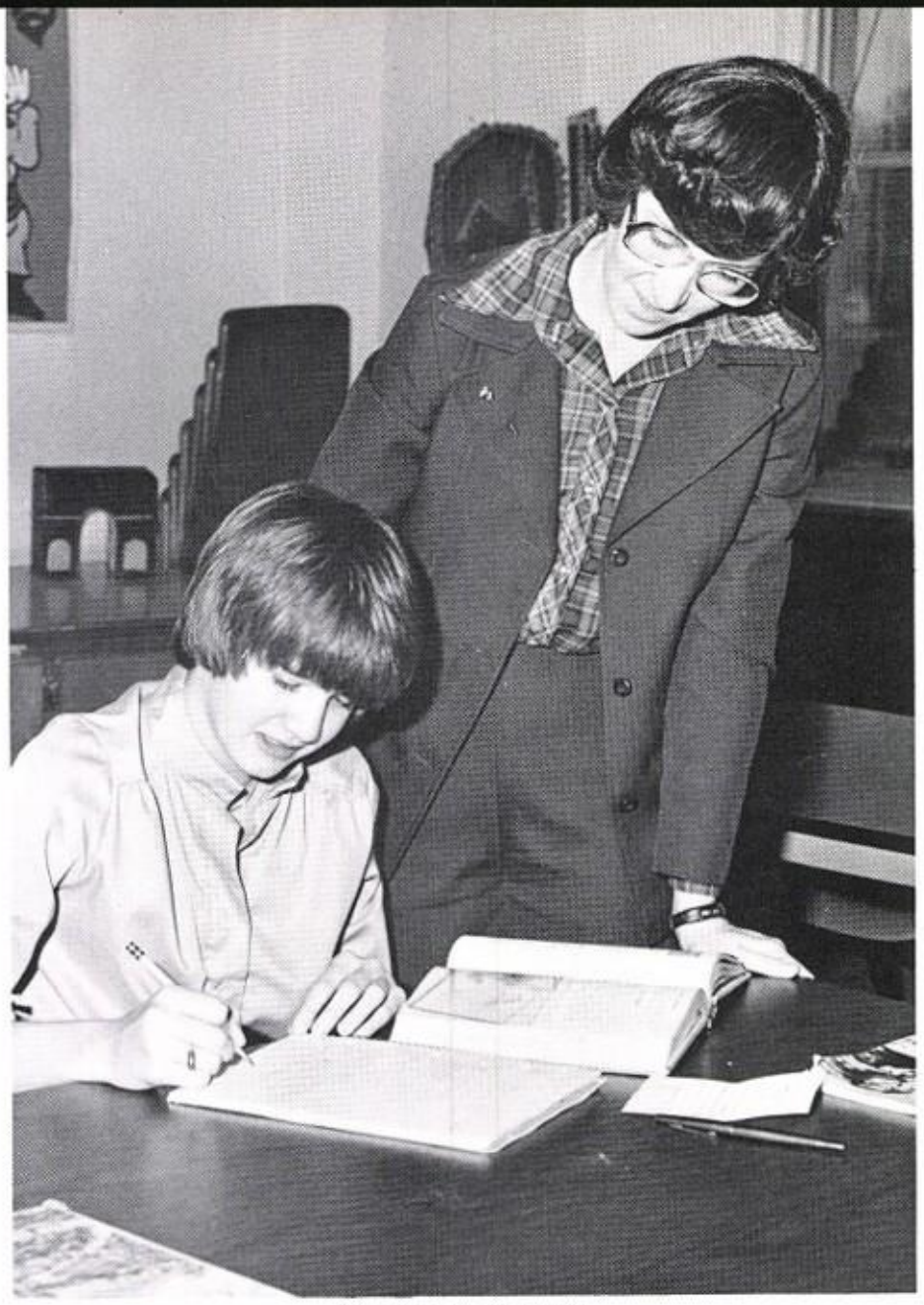
What a mess!

Laura and Leo listen together.

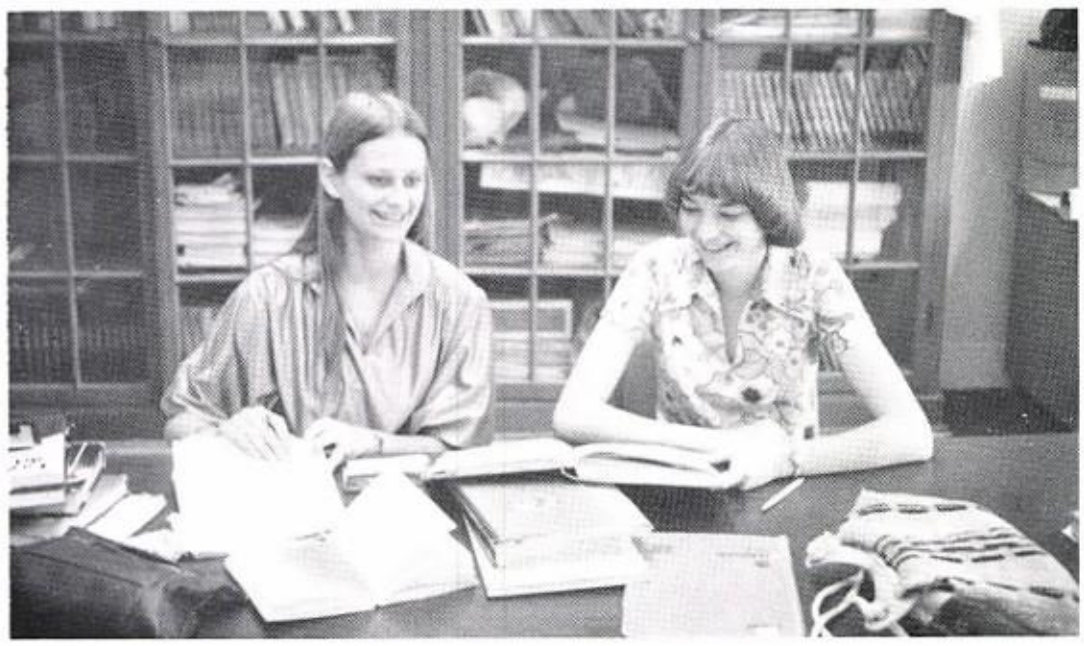


# A New Way of Life

The Foreign Language classes offered this year were French II and III and Spanish I, II and III. Units of study included geography, culture and history of France, Spain and Mexico, as well as the study of basic grammar and pronunciation. A special project in the Spanish classes was making pinatas. The French art of decoupage provided those students with creative activity and some nice Christmas gift items. In the spring semester the Spanish II class and the French classes used the home economics room for some experience in international cuisine. Among recipes tested and tasted were: quiche lorraine, chocolate mousse, fondue, tacos and sopaipillas. This years foreign language classes were taught by Mrs. Ann Greiner. At left: Kim gets help on a problem.

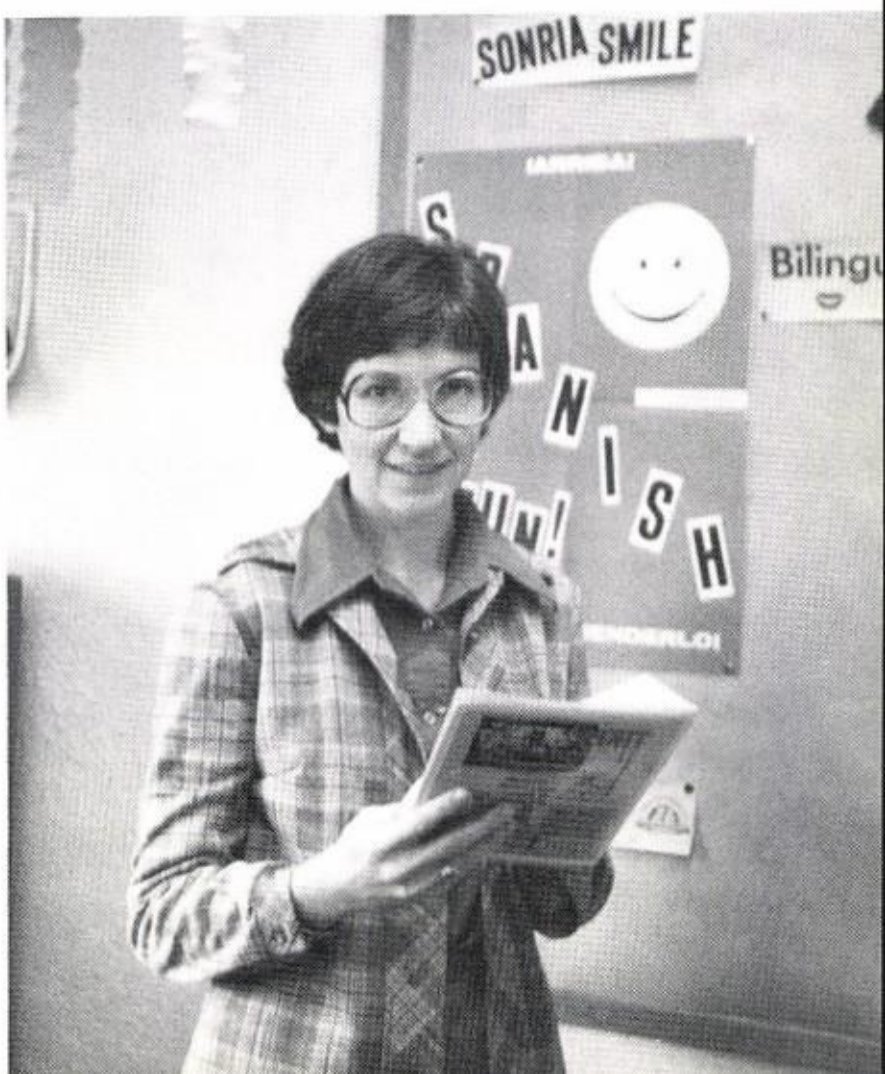


Trying to study!



Mike and Virgil study diligently.

Mrs. Greiner reads a Spanish Comic Book.

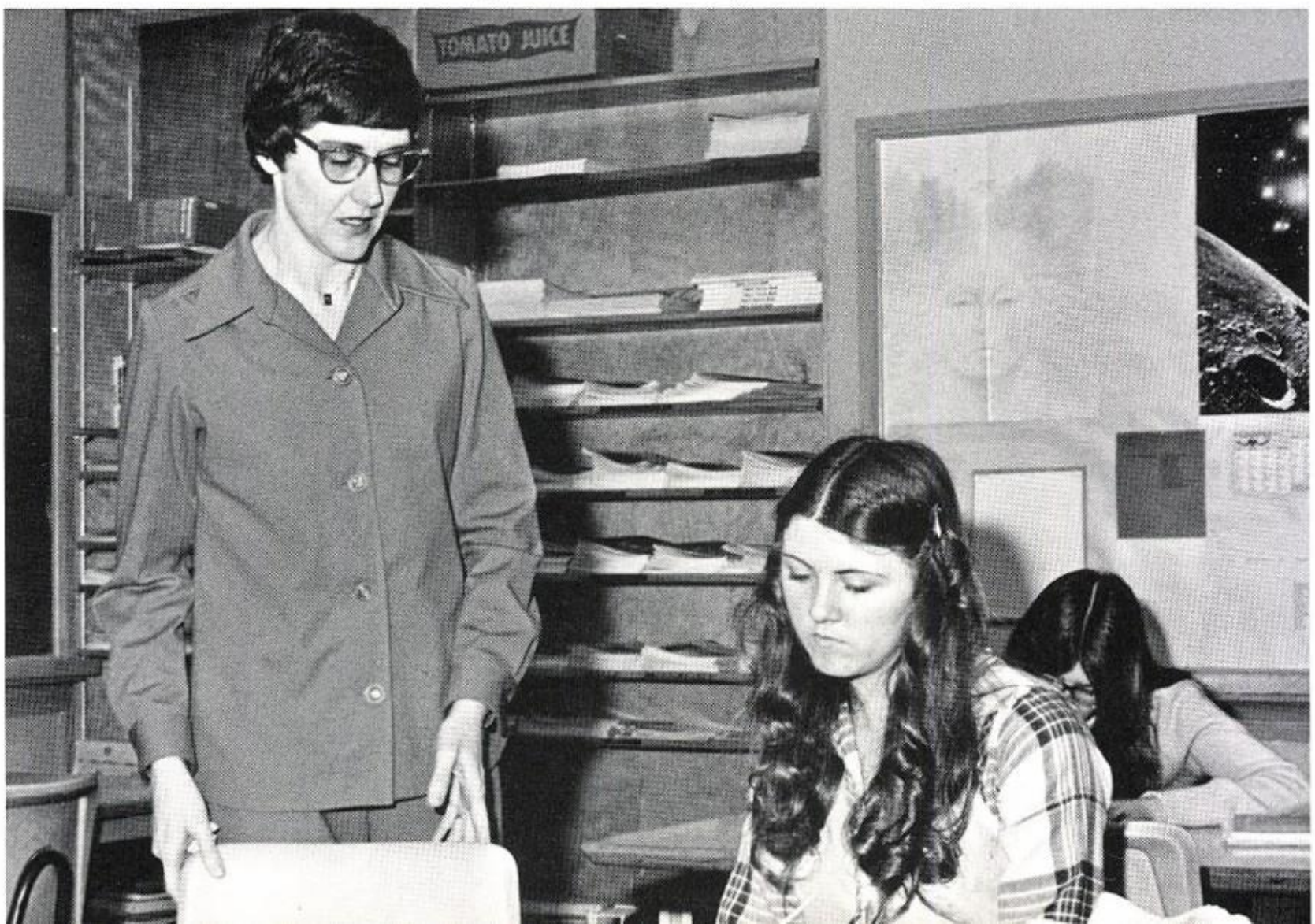


# Building Individual Skills

This year's reading classes were taught by Mrs. Sharon O'Laughlin. These classes are designed to help students improve their basic reading skills emphasizing on vocabulary and comprehension. Mrs. Carol Harmon taught the Ungraded students. They worked on special projects through the year while studying basic math, reading, science language, and history subjects. At right: Marty Lytle works at reading.

Mrs. Harmon helps Jim out.

Mrs. O'Laughlin explains the assignment to Sandy.



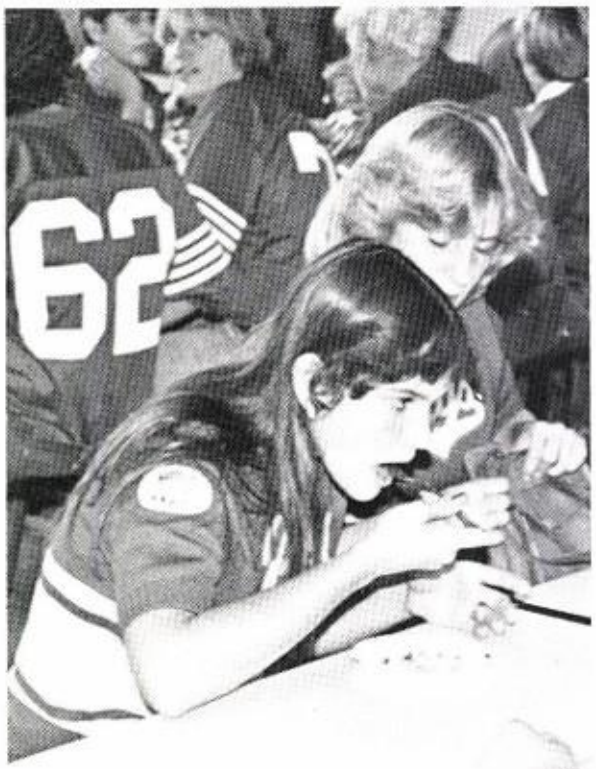
# Lending a Hand

The students of Rock Port High School have a great staff of non-teaching personnel to depend on. Mrs. Marla Greer below left, is the speech therapist. She helps students to improve their speech problems. Mrs. Beverly Stewart R.N., below right, always seems to have her hands full. During the year she records new records on the students weight, height, sight, and hearing. She also takes care of the students ailments. Mrs. Betty Burke, bottom left, was the librarian for elementary and high school. She ordered new books, sent out overdue book notices, and kept the library in order. She also is sponsor for the Librarians Club. Mr. Hal Turner, bottom right, served as junior high and high school guidance counselor. He schedules classes and helps students prepare themselves for the upcoming years. This past year he also taught a junior high English class.

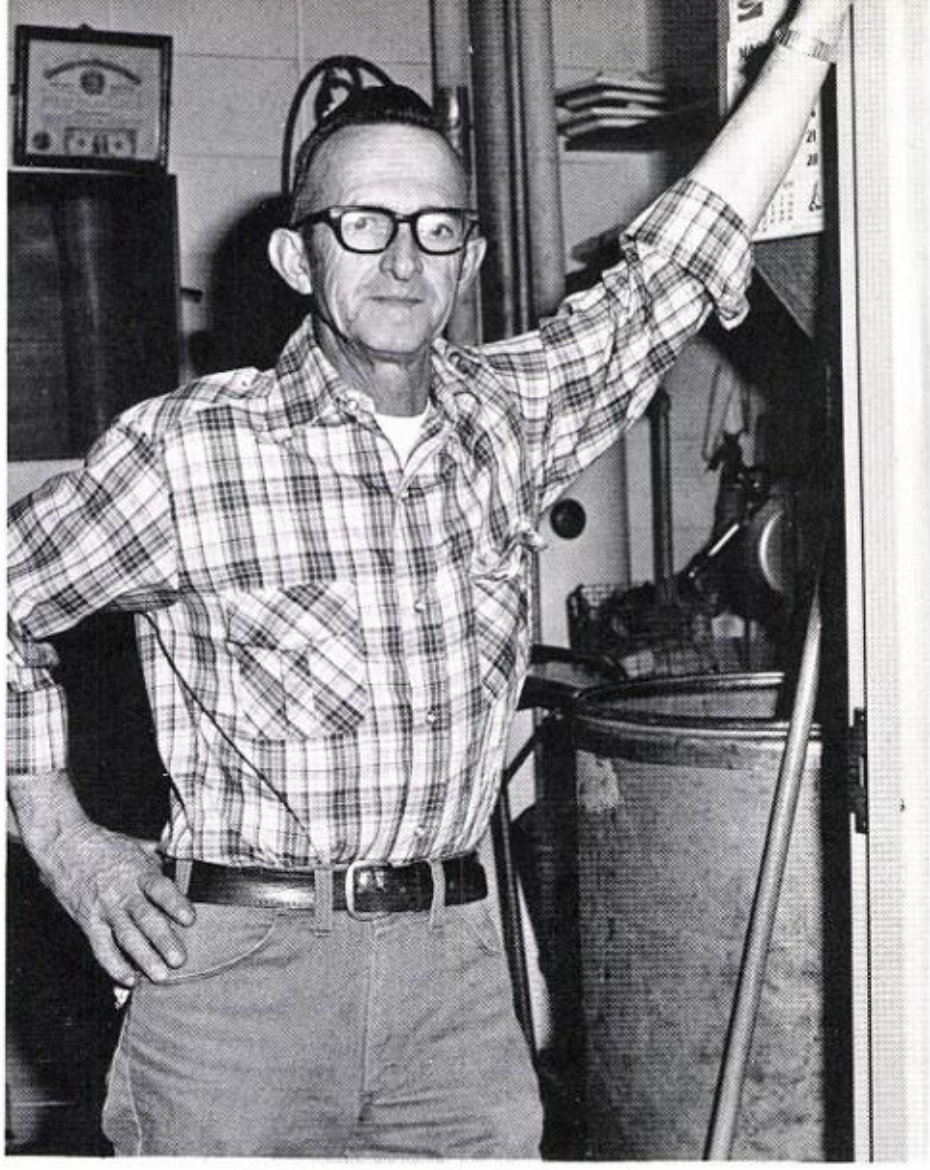
Cooks, Row 1: Sylvia Clodfelter, Annabelle Lewis, Lucile Thompson, and Ro Sita Stoner. Row 2: Becky Kuhns and Verlene Millsaps.

# Cooks Fill Hungry Tummies

The food supervisors for the 1978-79 school year had their hands full preparing food for grades 1-12. Head cook Mrs. Sylvia Clodfelter was in charge of keeping her helpers busy. At right: Mrs. Adamson punches lunch tickets. Below left: "Look it's all gone". Below right: Football players munch before the big game.



# Keeping Things in Shape and Students in Line

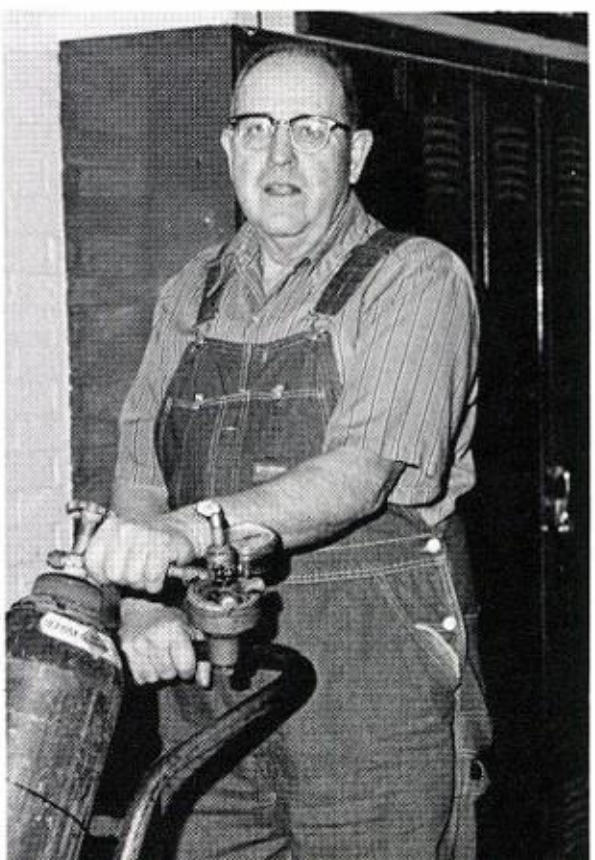


Walt Millsap, Head Custodian.

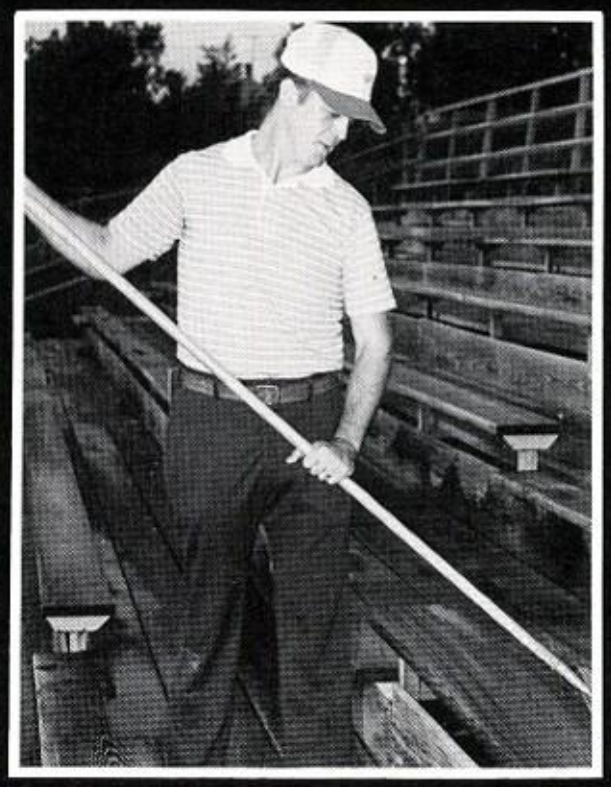
The school custodians and bus drivers had a busy year. The custodial staffs was responsible for keeping the entire school clean. Besides this they did many other jobs such as yard work, painting jobs and anything else that needed fixed. The bus drivers were responsible for getting the students to and from school. And they also took students to out-of-town activities. The bus drivers for the school year were, center left, Row 1: Loraine Chastain (Bus Supervisor), Steve Grossman. Row 2: Carrol Chastain, Eula Perry, Arnelle Landsdown. Row 3: John Eilers, David Cook, Chuck Carpenter, Mearl Lytle. Row 4: Charles Eddy, Linda Oswald, Bud Hill. Not shown: Gene Swofford, Gary Bogenreif.

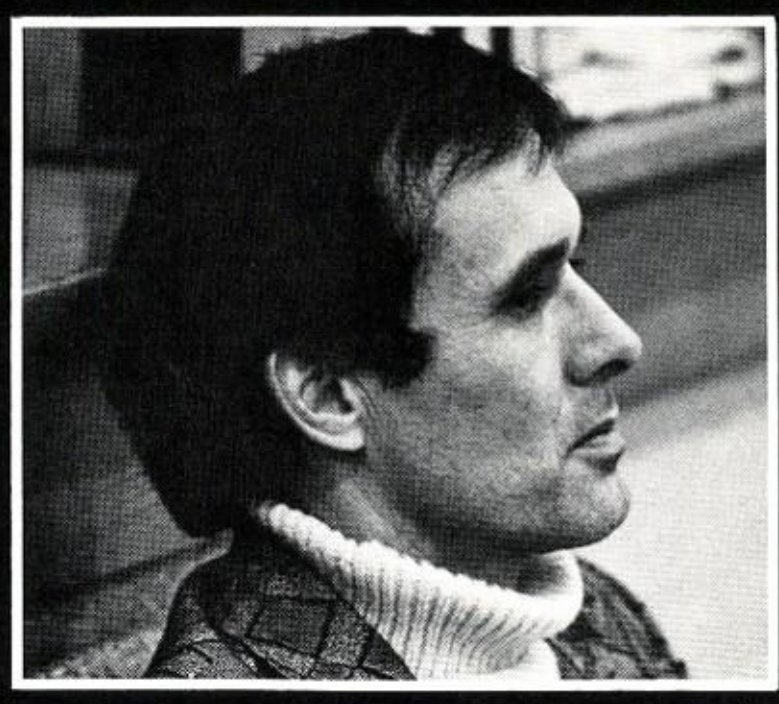
Charles Lorenz, Custodian.

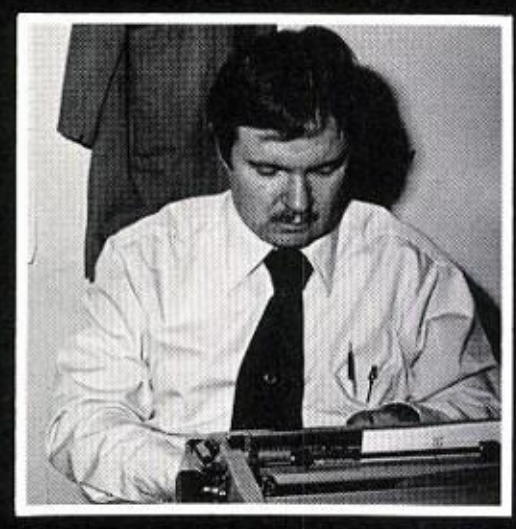
Royal Harmon, Custodian.

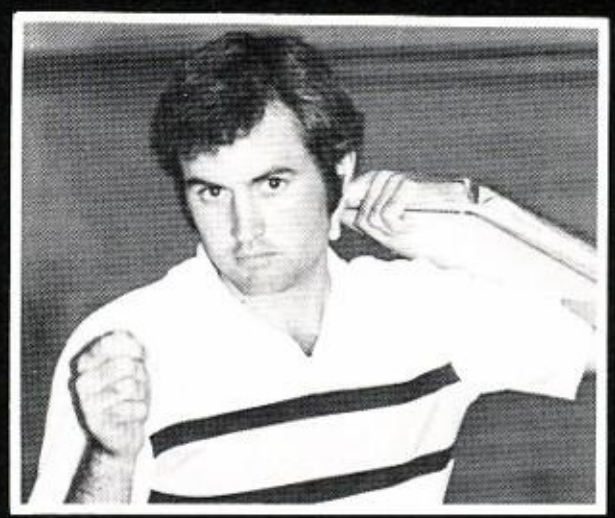


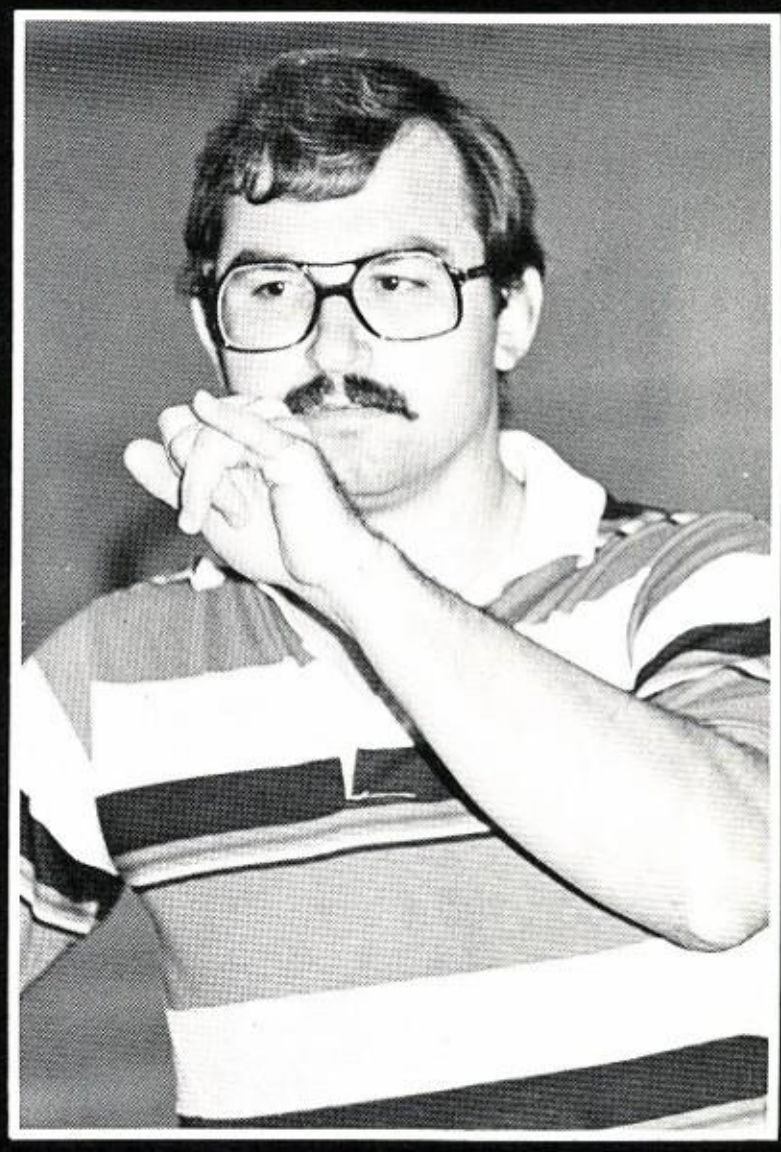
Duane Thiesfield, Custodian.

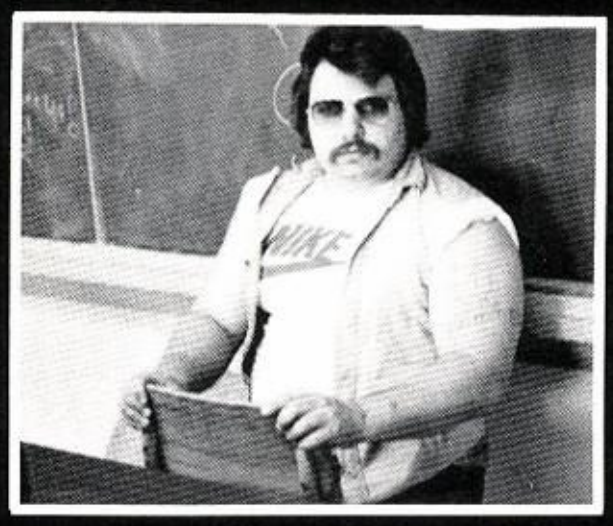


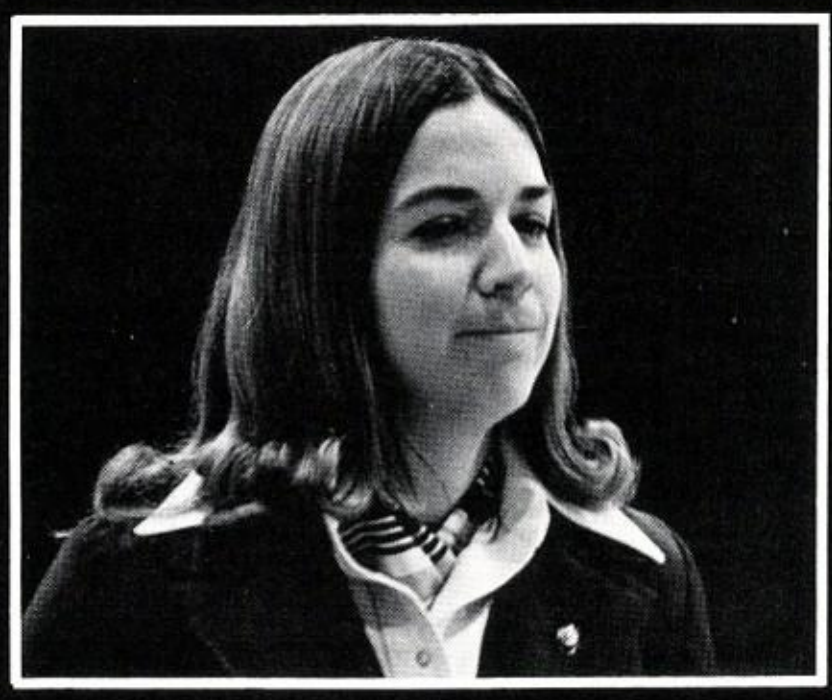


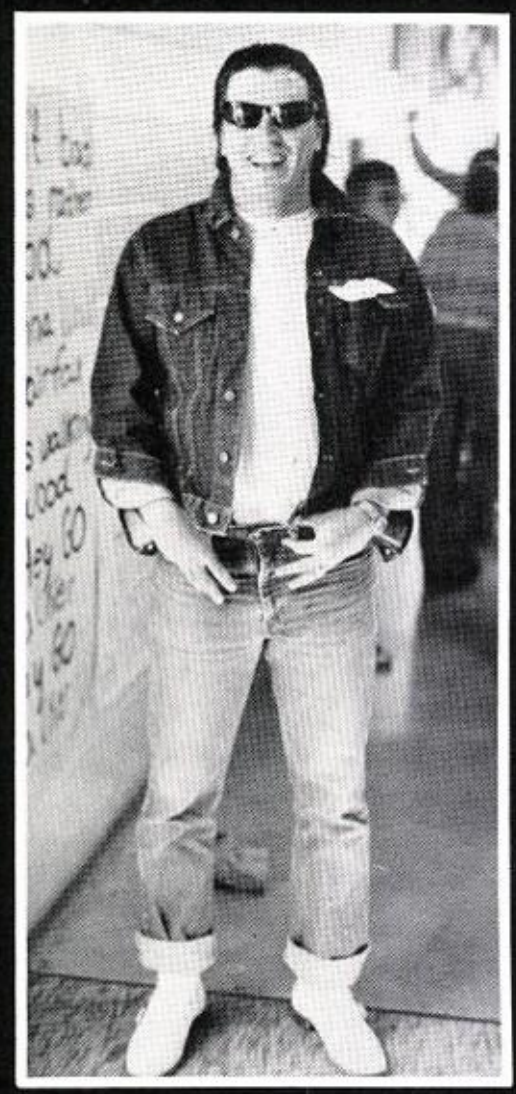


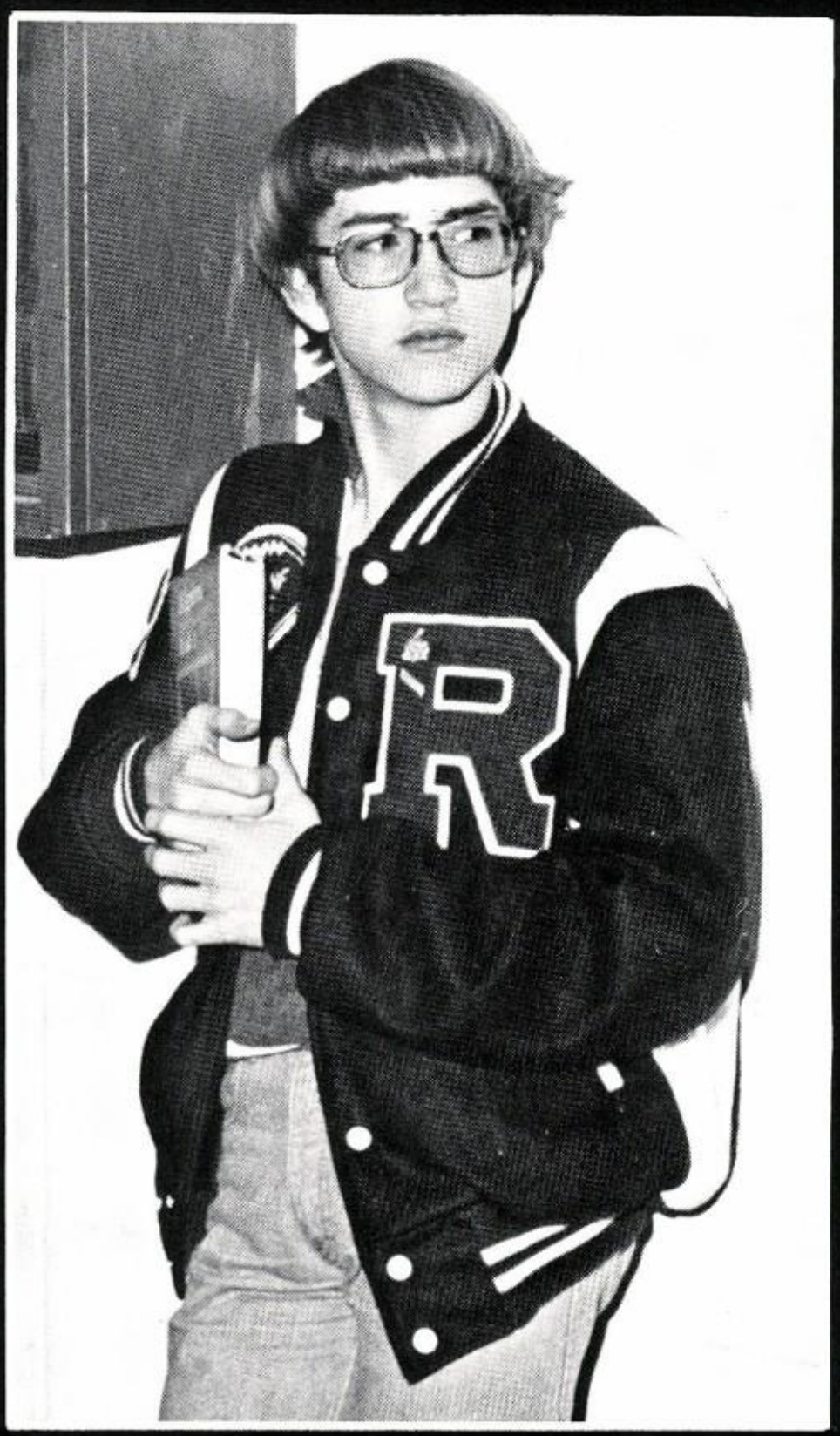










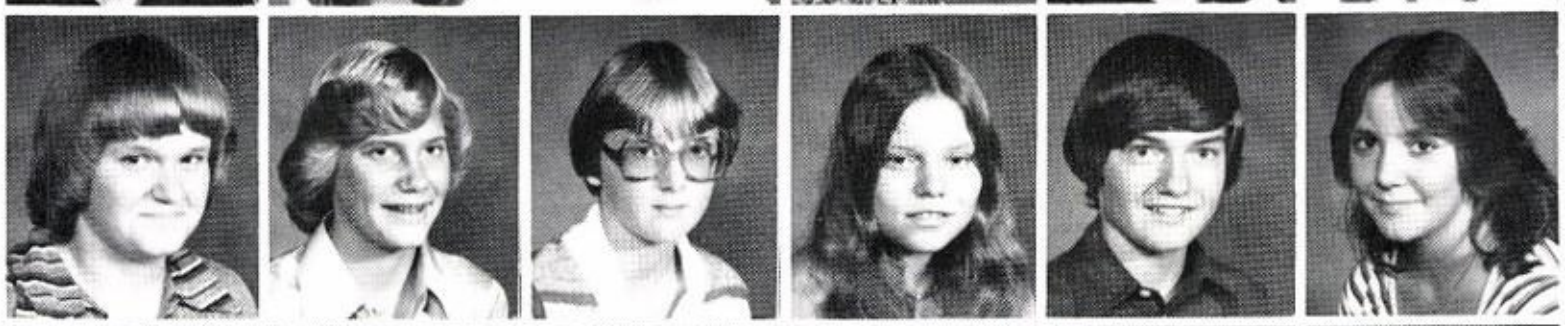


# Freshmen

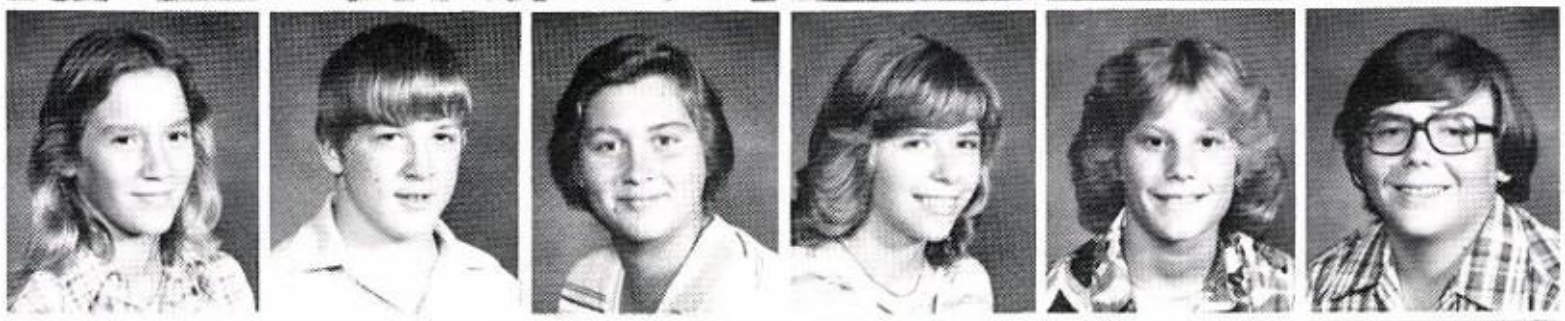
*Nothing is troublesome, that we do willingly.*

Sam Bennington
Margee Bogenreif
Lawna Bray
Becky Brusha
Mike Burg
Brad Burke

Cheryl Catlett
Brook Cooper
Monica Cooper
Lynda Danley
Kevin Deckard
Madonna Desmond



Exa Easley
Clay Ellison
Becky Fischer
Shelly Freeman
Becky Groff
Mike Harmon



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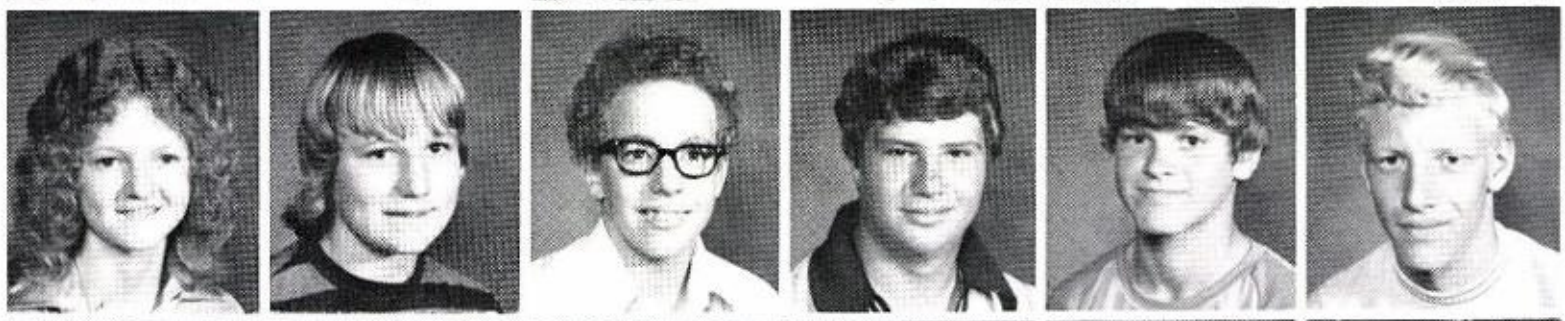
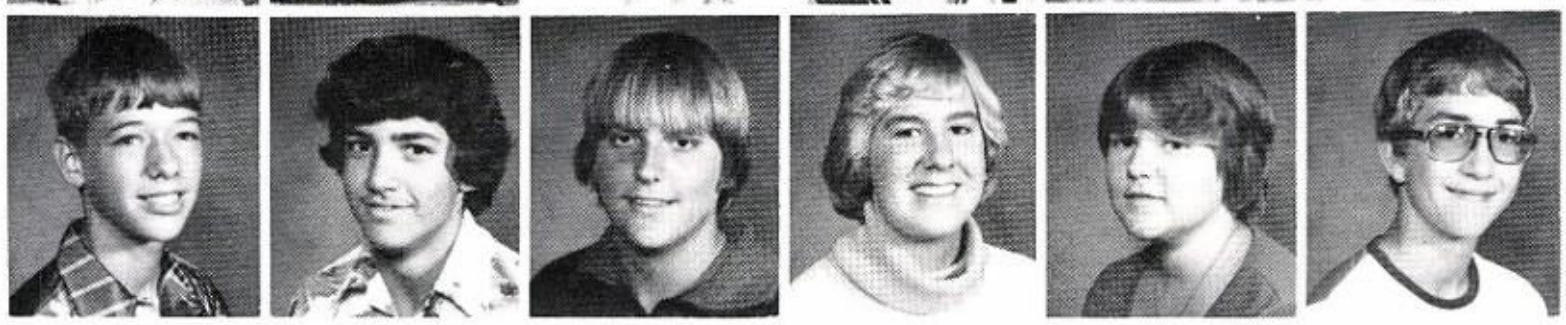
Doug Heard
Shane Heits
Jon Hollister
Scott Howell
Kevin Hurst



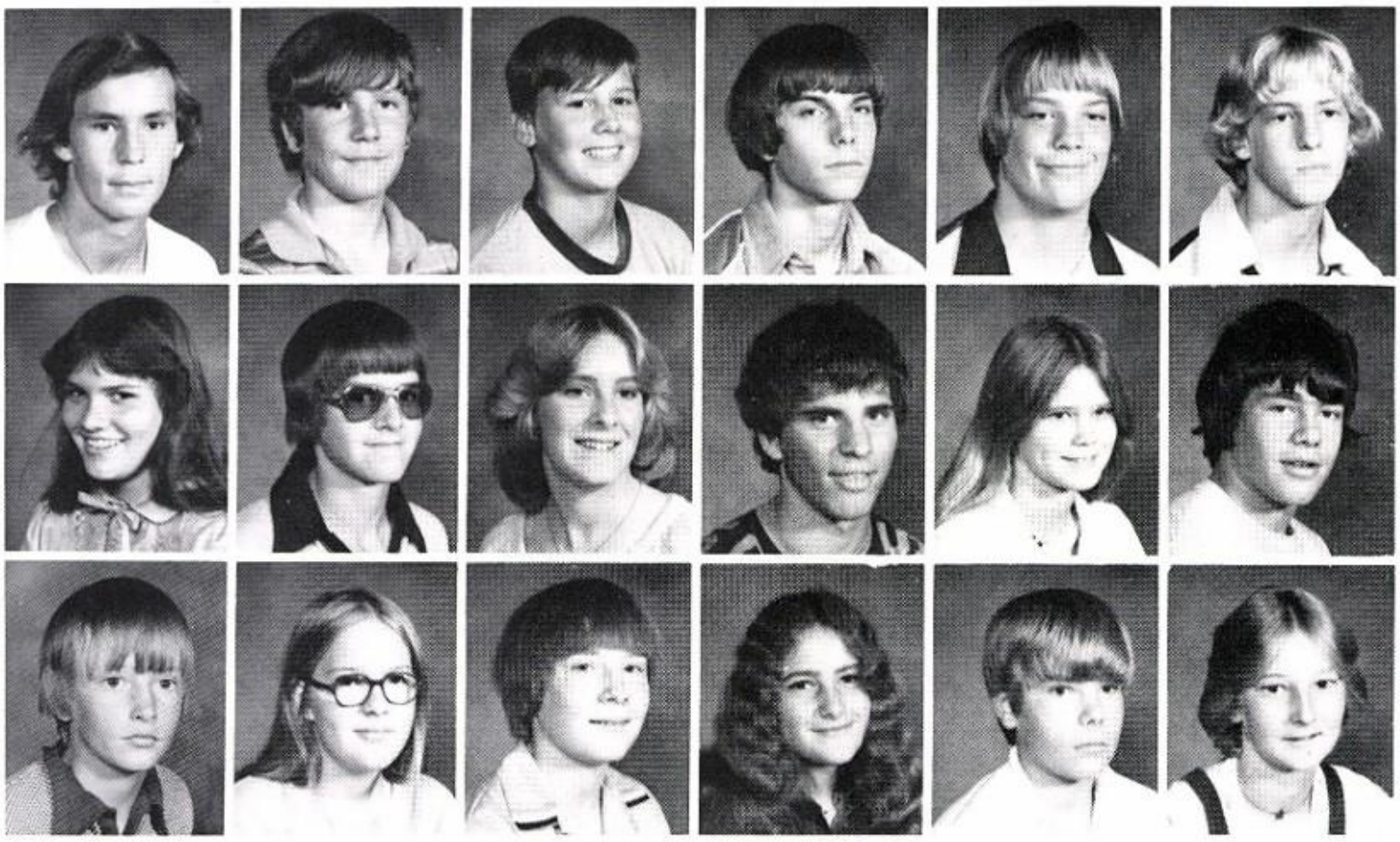
Joseph Ingram
Michael Jimenez
Jim Jochim
Carrie Johnson
Sherry Kennell
Denis Kerr



# Seeking New Adventures

Sixty-two Freshman, just out of junior high and ready for the hectic life of a high school student. The Freshman class participated in County Government Day, County Band Day they got to attend all the school dances plus participate in organizations and sports.

The leaders of the class were: Sam Bennington; president, Becky Groff; vice-president, Sherry Kennell; secretary, Susan Thompson; treasurer, Eric Mulvania, Brook Cooper; student council.



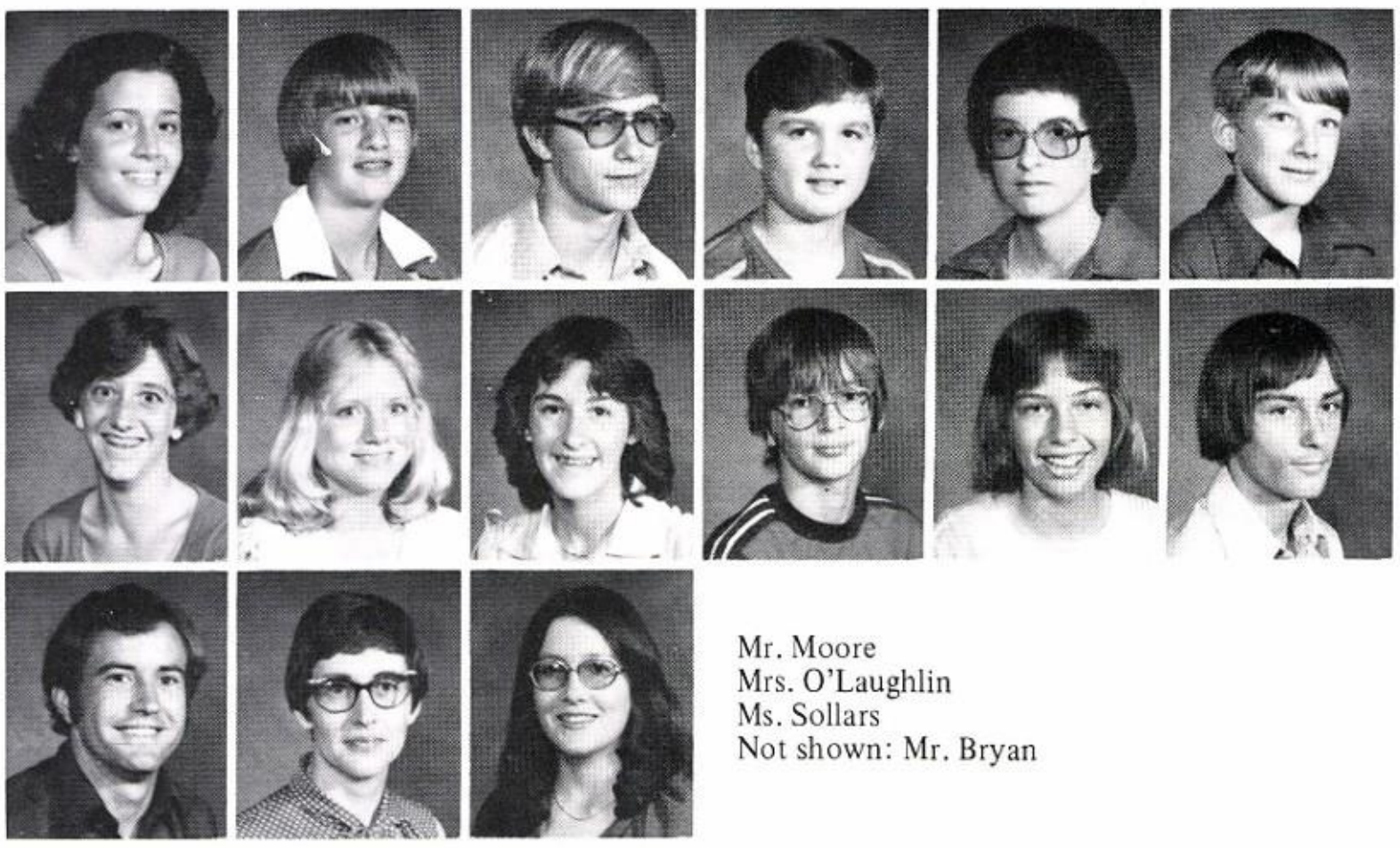
Lee Kirk
Gregg Kroll
Doug Lade
David Lair
Doug Lane
Marty Lytle

JaNay Martin
Shawn Minter
Pam Mobley
Eric Mulvania
Lisa Nielsen
Kerry Oswald

Don Perry
Connie Peterson
Michael Pfeil
Joelene Powers
Allen Rosenbohm
Kelly Salfrank

Slop Day Homecoming Week.

Friendly chat in Blue Jay Hall.

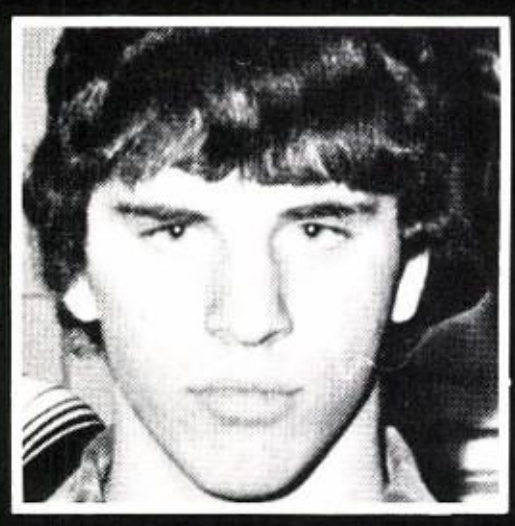


Jill Scamman
Kim Scamman
Jeff Schlup
Virgil Schramm
Melinda Shelton
Junior Squires

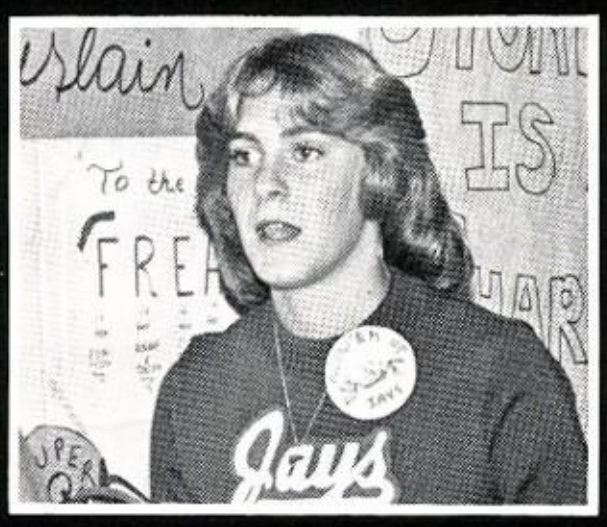
Penny Squires
Jill Sybert
Susan Thompson
Stacy Tudor
Mianne Underwood
Jim Watson



Mr. Moore
Mrs. O'Laughlin
Ms. Sollars
Not shown: Mr. Bryan



1968-1969
FREAK
OUT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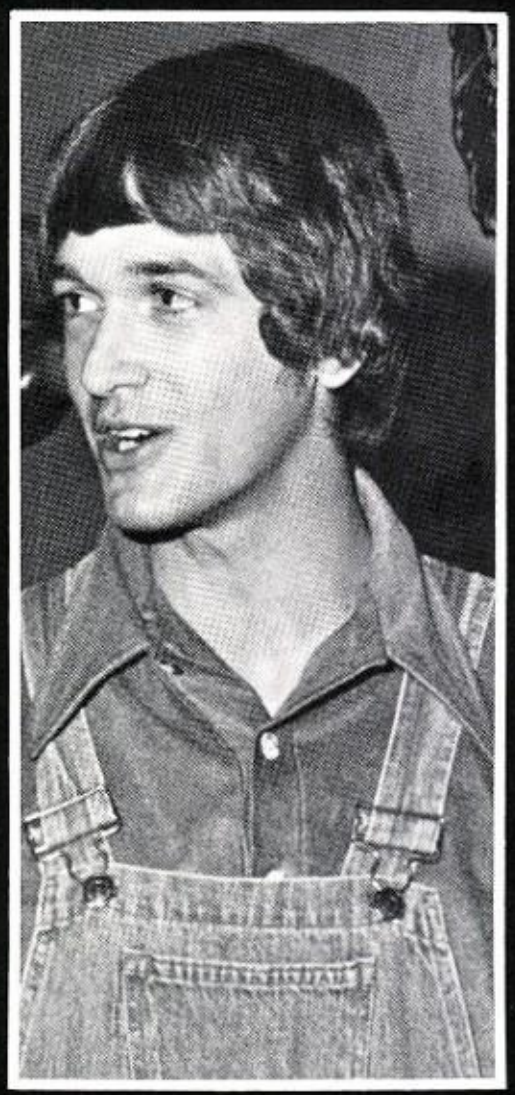
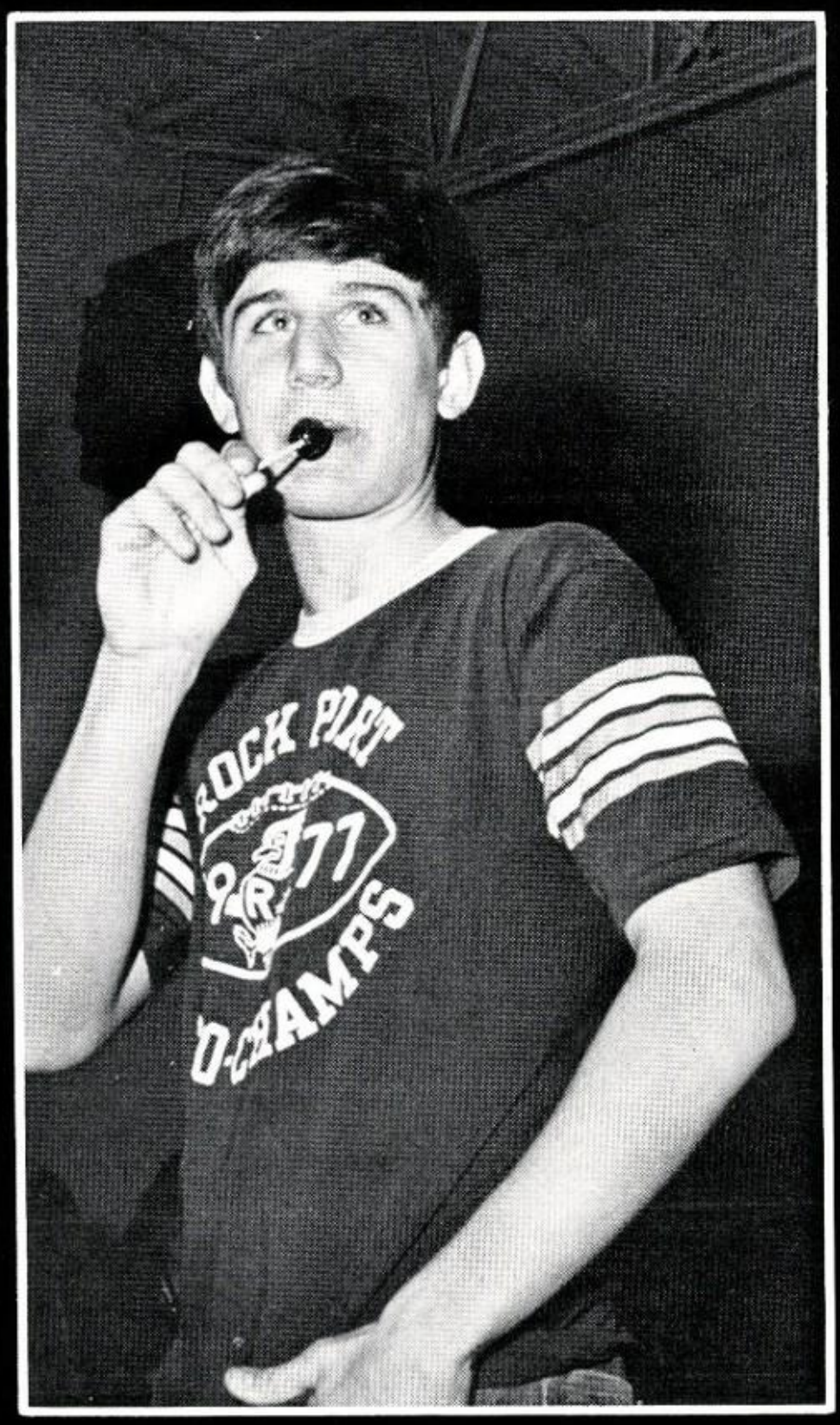
Jays

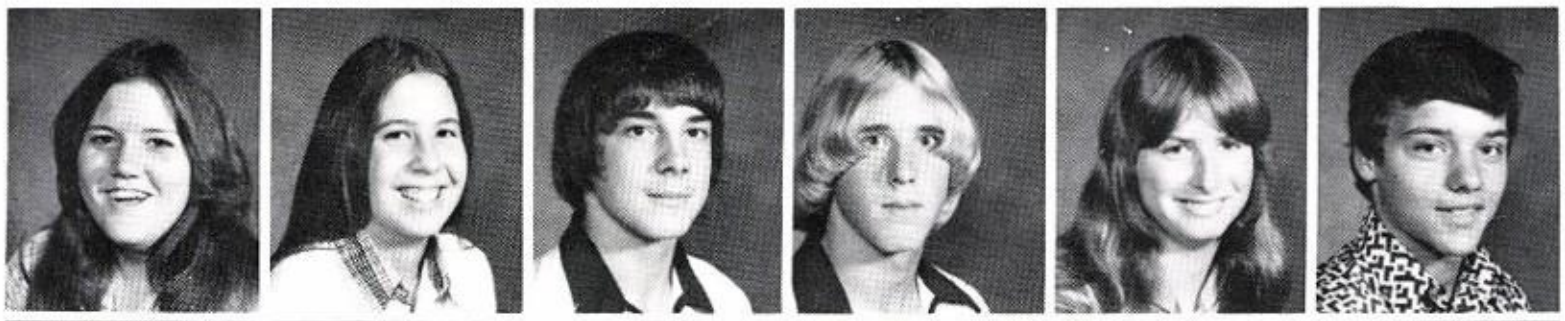





# Sophomores

*Truth is the summit*
*of being, justice*
*is the application*
*of it to affairs.*

Jeanette Allee
Jo Bermingham
Randy Burke
Bobby Clark
Teresa Cook
Bill Danley



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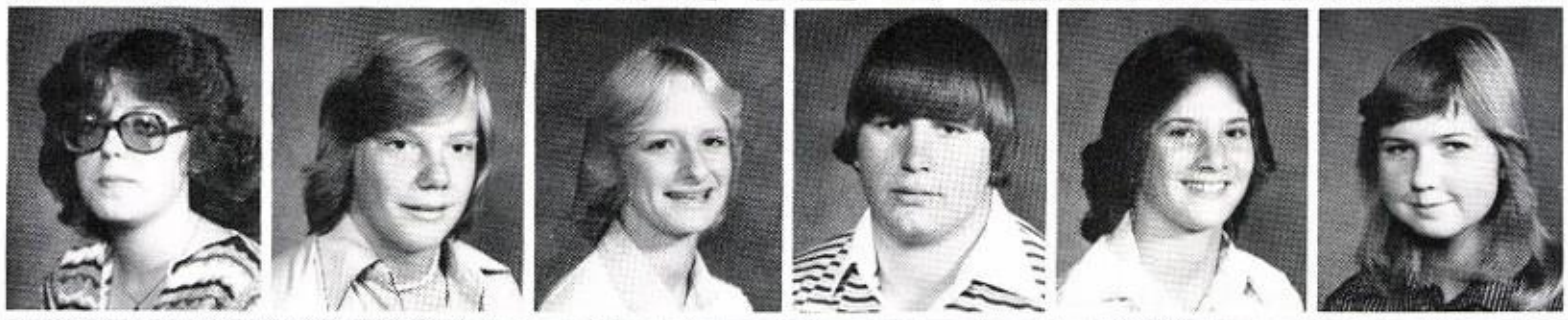
Amy Duntz
Zel Fisher
Susan Freeman
Tammy Gibson



Beverly Gilpin
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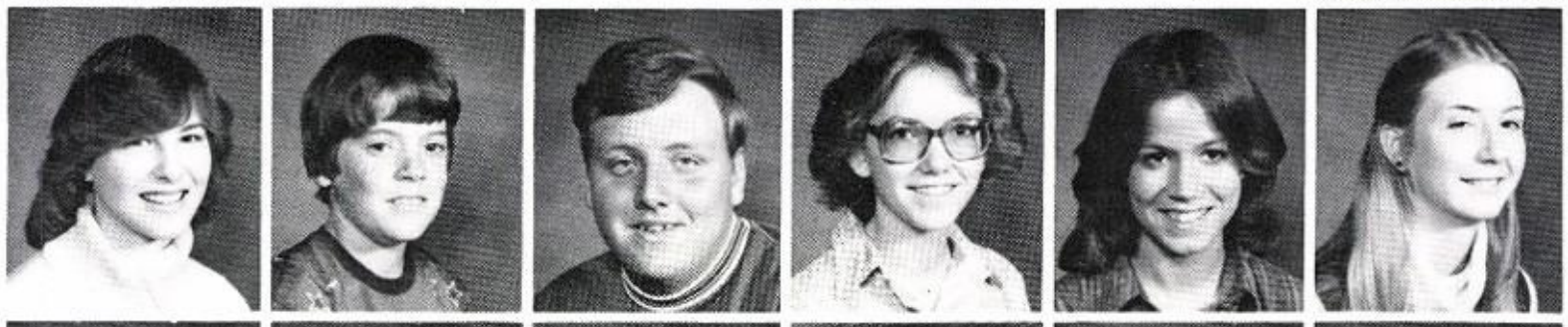
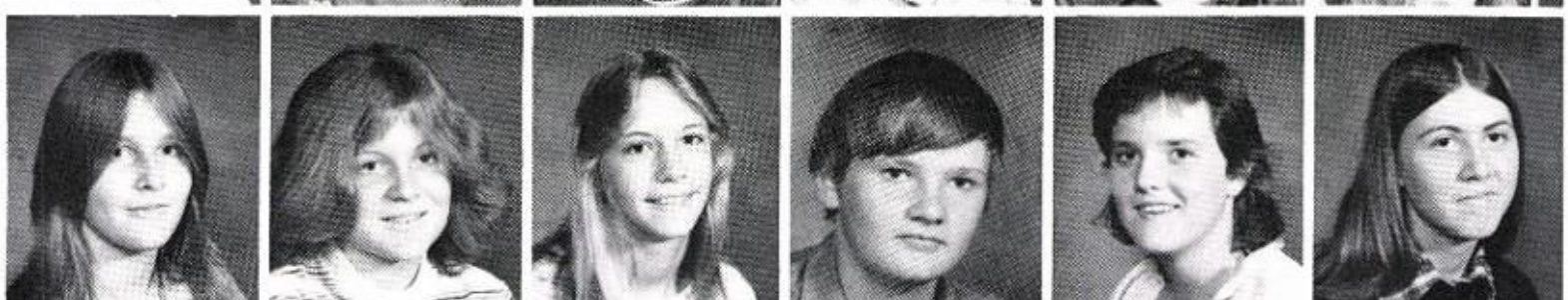
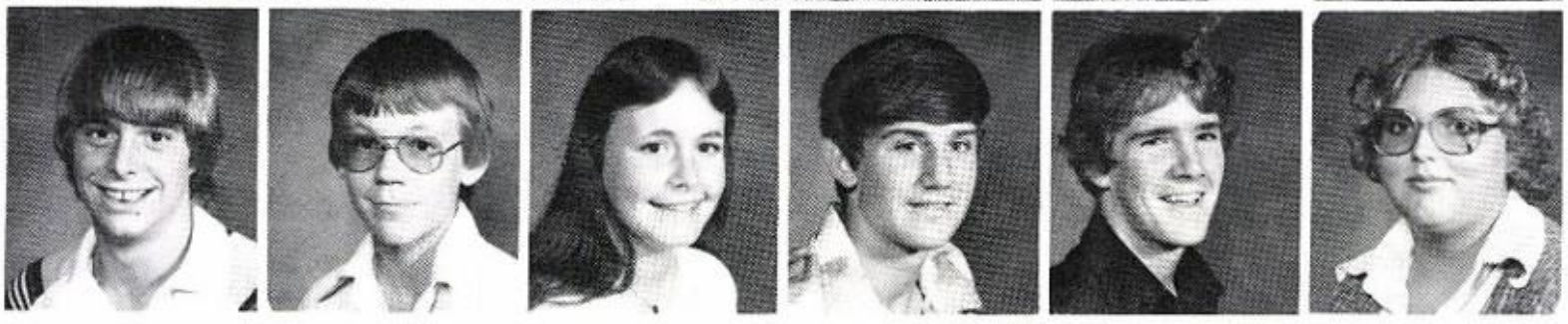
Bryan Hurst
Bernadine Ingram
Yolanda Jimenez
Carla Kerr



Kim Kroll
Michelle Kroll
Sandra Lann
Roy Lawson
Shirley Lawson
Sandy Ledford



Mark Leisman
Mike Leseberg
Dianna Lynn
Curtis Mather
Doug McMahon
Terri Minderman

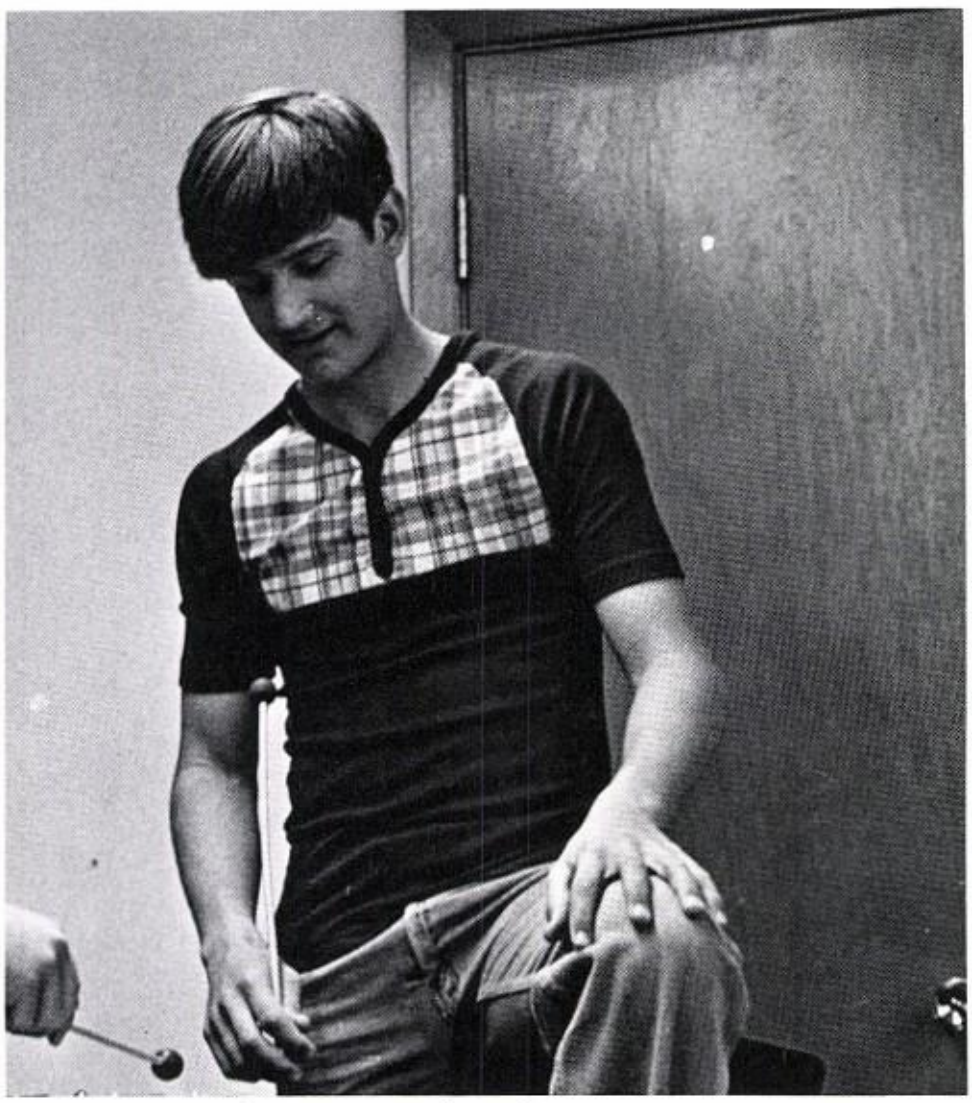


# Super Sophomores

This past year the sophomores got to enjoy and participate in high school life. Since they were no longer underclassmen, they got to choose a few of their classes. They also became more active and participated in different sports and organizations. The sophomores sponsored a sock hop and a bake sale this past year. The officers for the sophomore class were, Row 1: Sandie Morton, secretary; Doug McMahon and Susan Freeman, student council. Row 2: Lisa Phelps, vice-president; Susette Daugherty, treasurer; Renee Powers, president.

Julia Morrison
Sandra Morton
Donald Neemann
Mike Nielsen
Patty O'Barsky
Dawn Pankau

Conda Peeler
Debbie Pfeil
Lisa Phelps
Kathy Phillips
Renee Powers
Sherry Record



Curt contemplates his next move.

Tamara Rosenbohm
Deborah Savala

Sue Ann Schoonover
Jane Schultz

Barton Shaw
Pat Sheldon

Marieann Smith
Sharon Smyth

Carolyn Squires
Janetta Swofford
Mary Grace Sybert
Whitney Tudor
Shannon Underwood
Mr. Bachle

Ms. Huber
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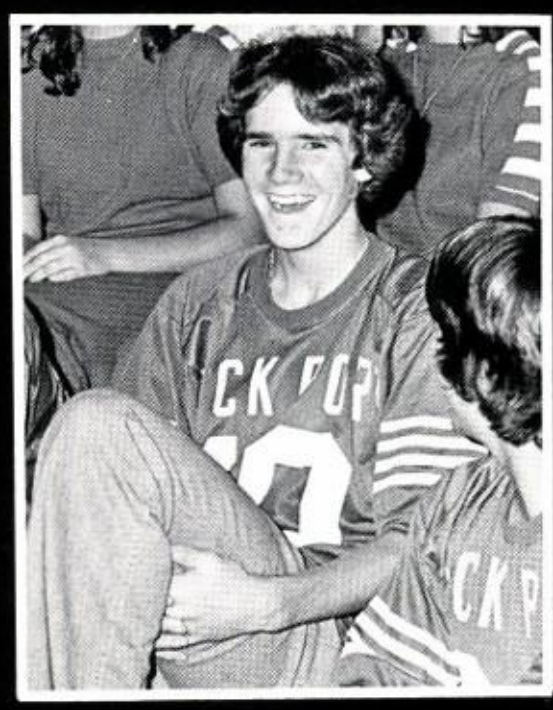
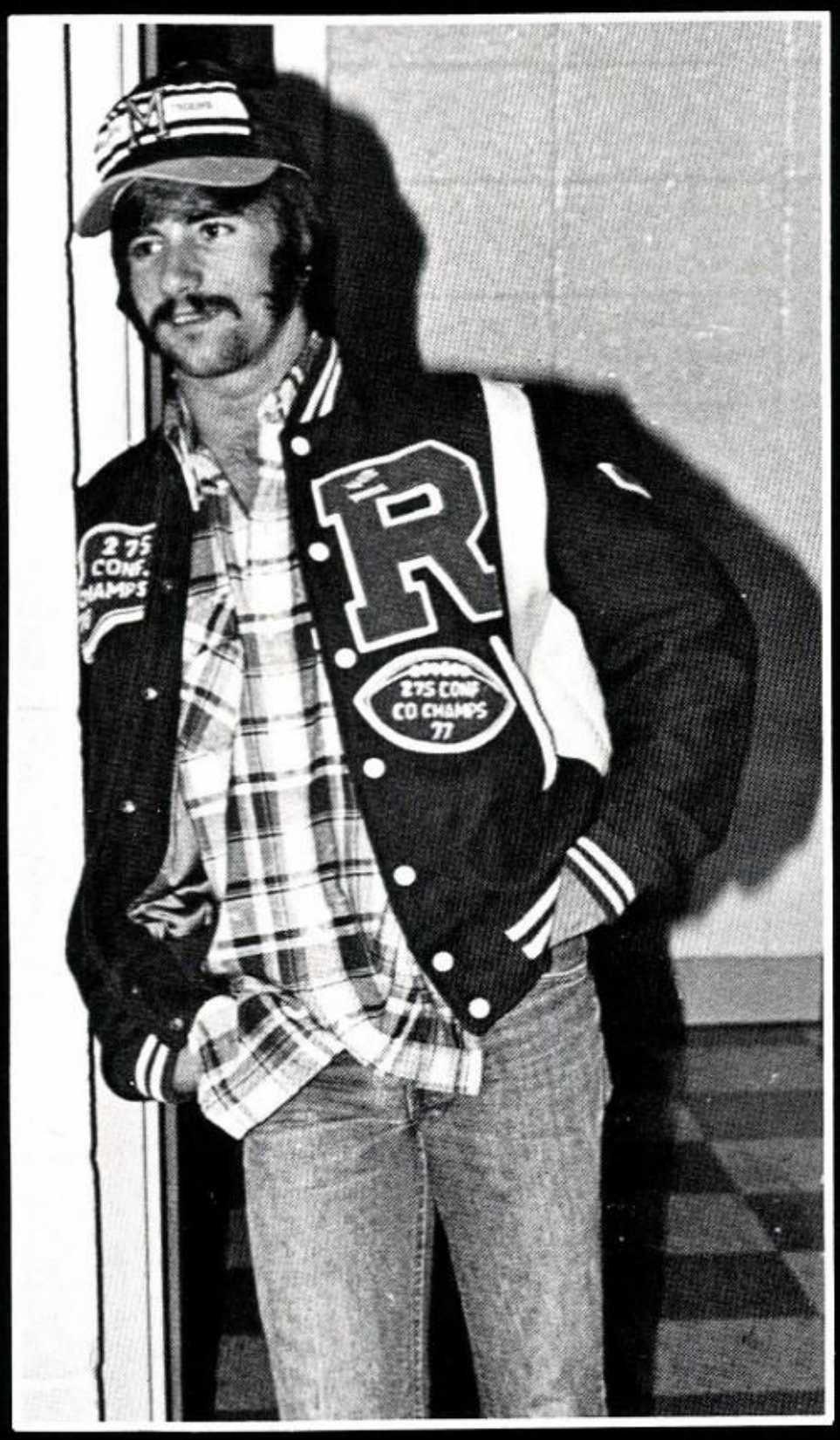
Mr. Finke

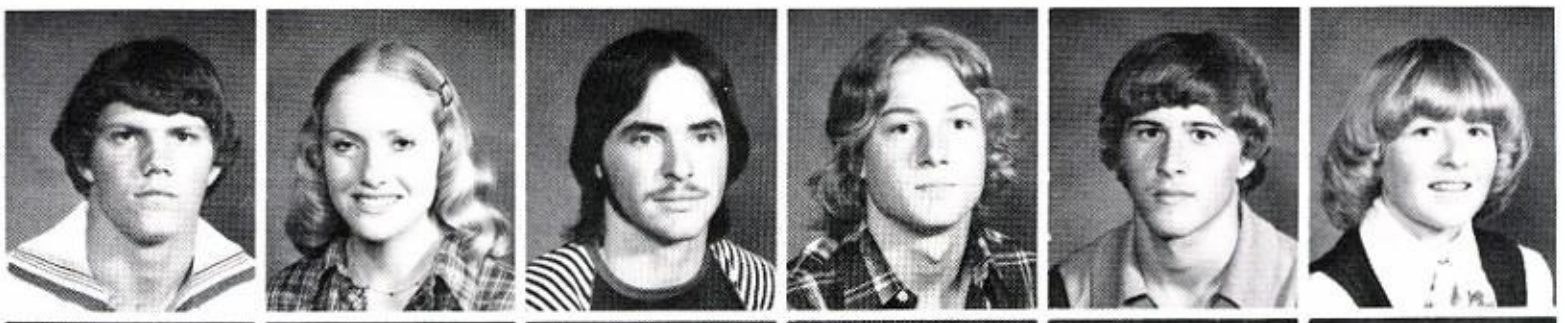





# Juniors

*It's not what you were, it's what you are today.*

Bill Alloway
Christy Armstrong
Mike Avrett
Bentley Brown
Chris Chamberlain
Julie Chapple



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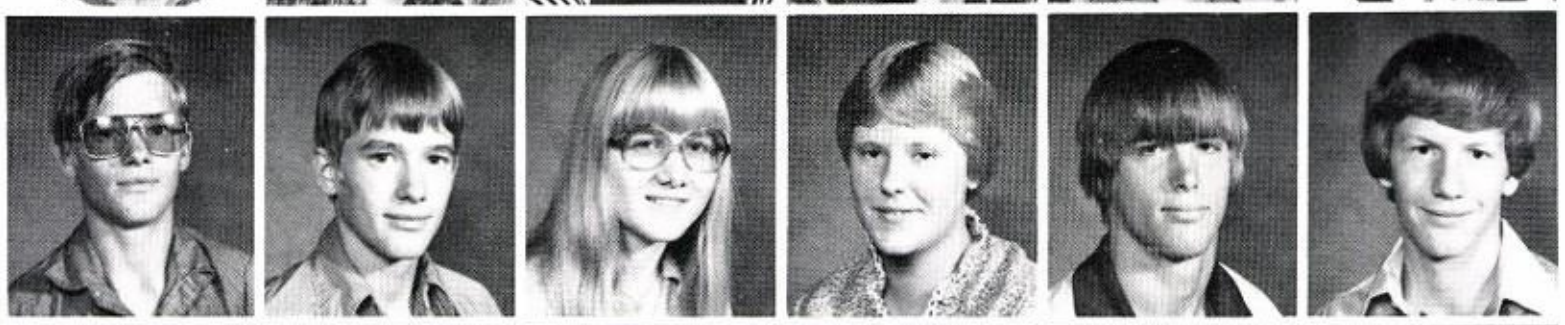
Nancy Edwards
Lee Ann Erdman
James Garst
Kevin Gilbertson



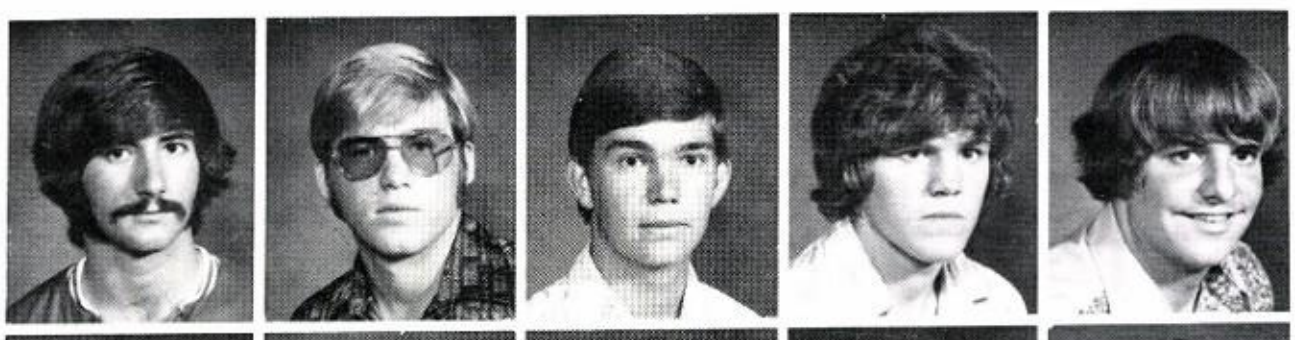
Julia Groff
Shawna Heits
Kim Hendrickson
Valerie Herron
Dave Hudson
Ronnie Hurst

# Advance Toward Goal

This has been a very exciting year for the Juniors of 79. They have discovered all the sweat and tears that each preceding Junior class has suffered. They had the thrill of becoming an upper classman, getting class rings, and having the Junior Stand to make enough money to present the Junior-Senior Prom. Serving as Junior class officers were: Marcia Mulvania, president; Cheryl McCall, vice-president; Christy Armstrong, secretary; Mary Ann Lytle, treasurer; Julie Mobley and Audie Jackson, student council.

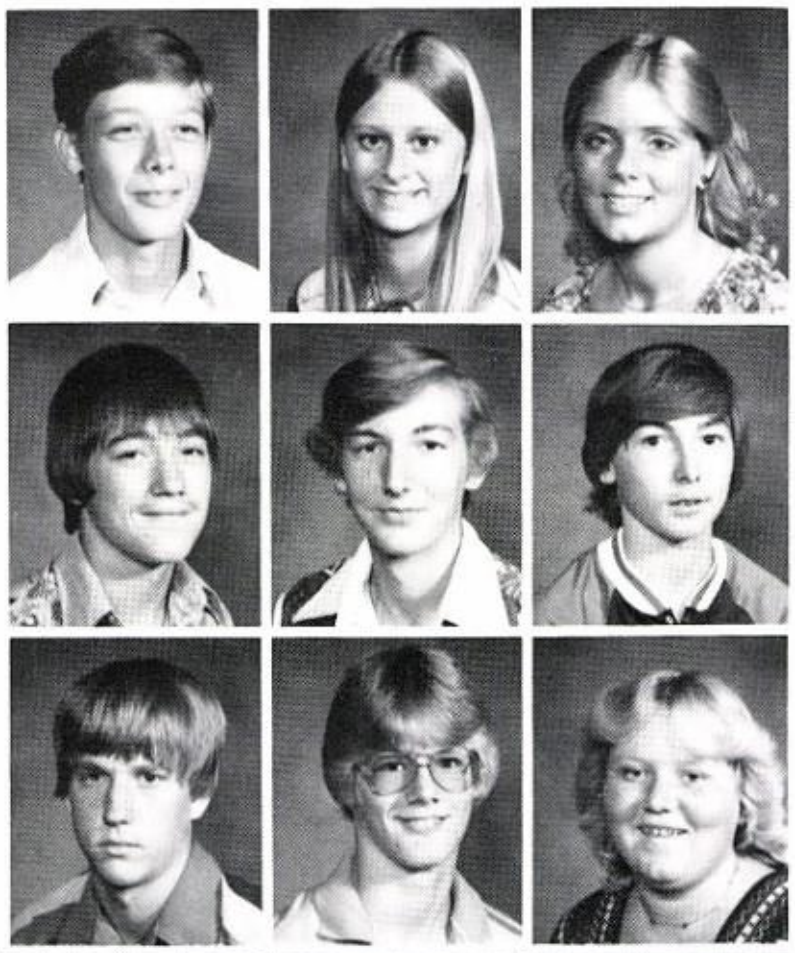
Girls enjoy lunch.

Audie Jackson
Not shown: Joey Jimenez
Larry Kennell
Jim Kirk
Wayne Laverentz
Mike Leisman



Melinda Long
Mary Ann Lytle
Cheryl McCall
Julie Mobley
Robin Moore
Marcia Mulvania

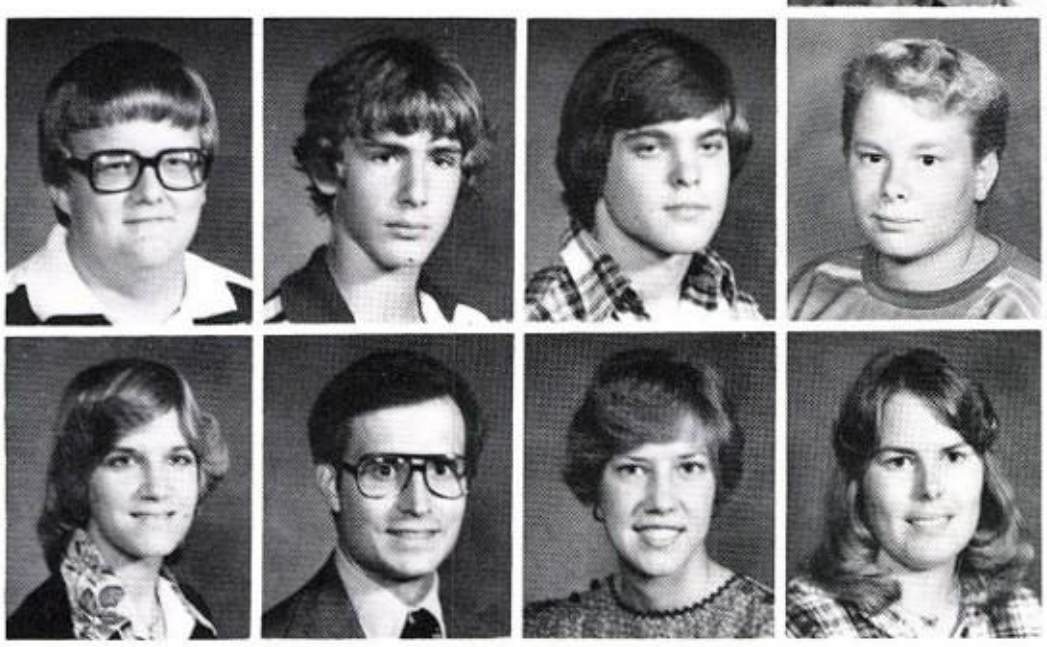
Julia and Marcia work happily.



Charles O'barsky
Paula Peck
Kymm Phillips

David Powers
Tod Salfrank
Nathan Schaffner

Duane Schierkolk
Tony Schomburg
Denise Schoonover

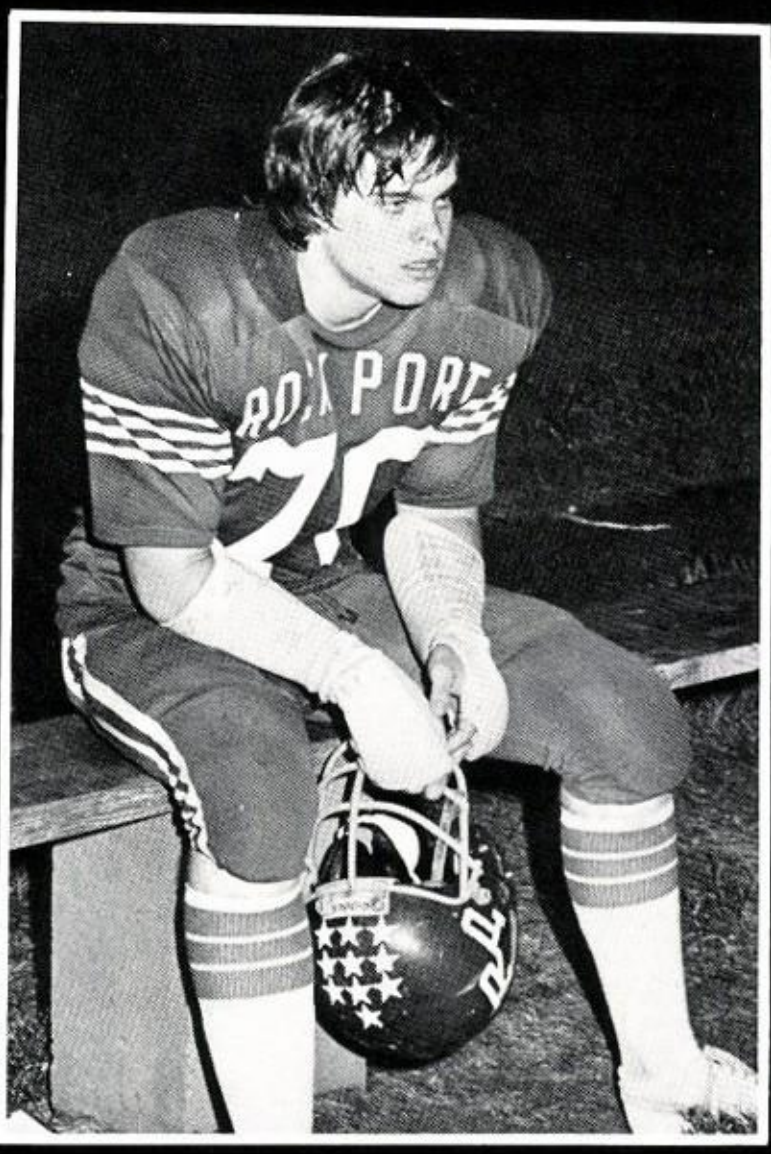


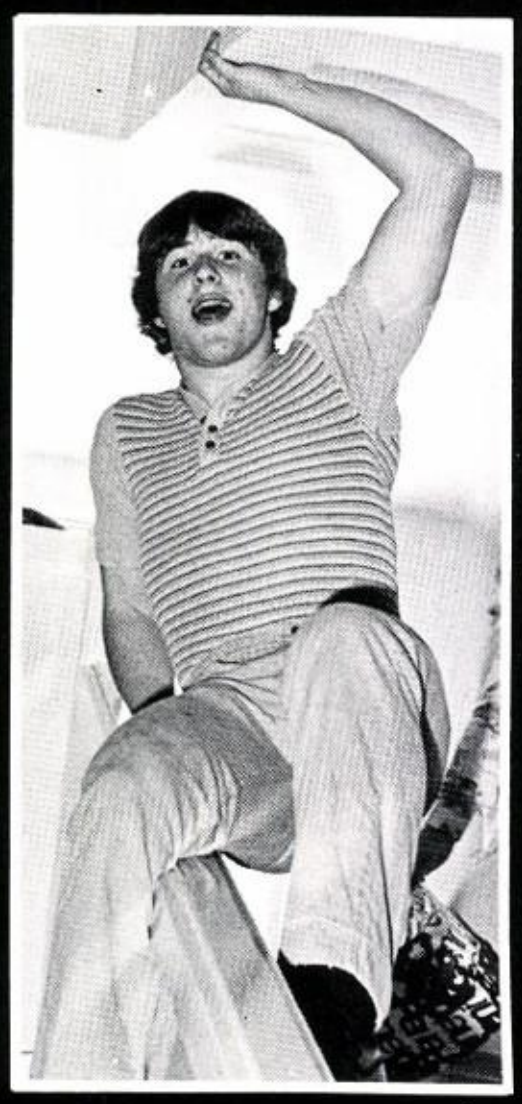
Albert Shaw
Larry Shue
Matthew Stoner
Roger Thiles
Cindy Walker
Mark Wilczek

Mrs. Hunter
Mr. Turner
Ms. Wessler
Mrs. White

Junior Class Officers.

All smiles.





# Activities

*Only a life*
*lived for others*
*is a*
*life worthwhile.*

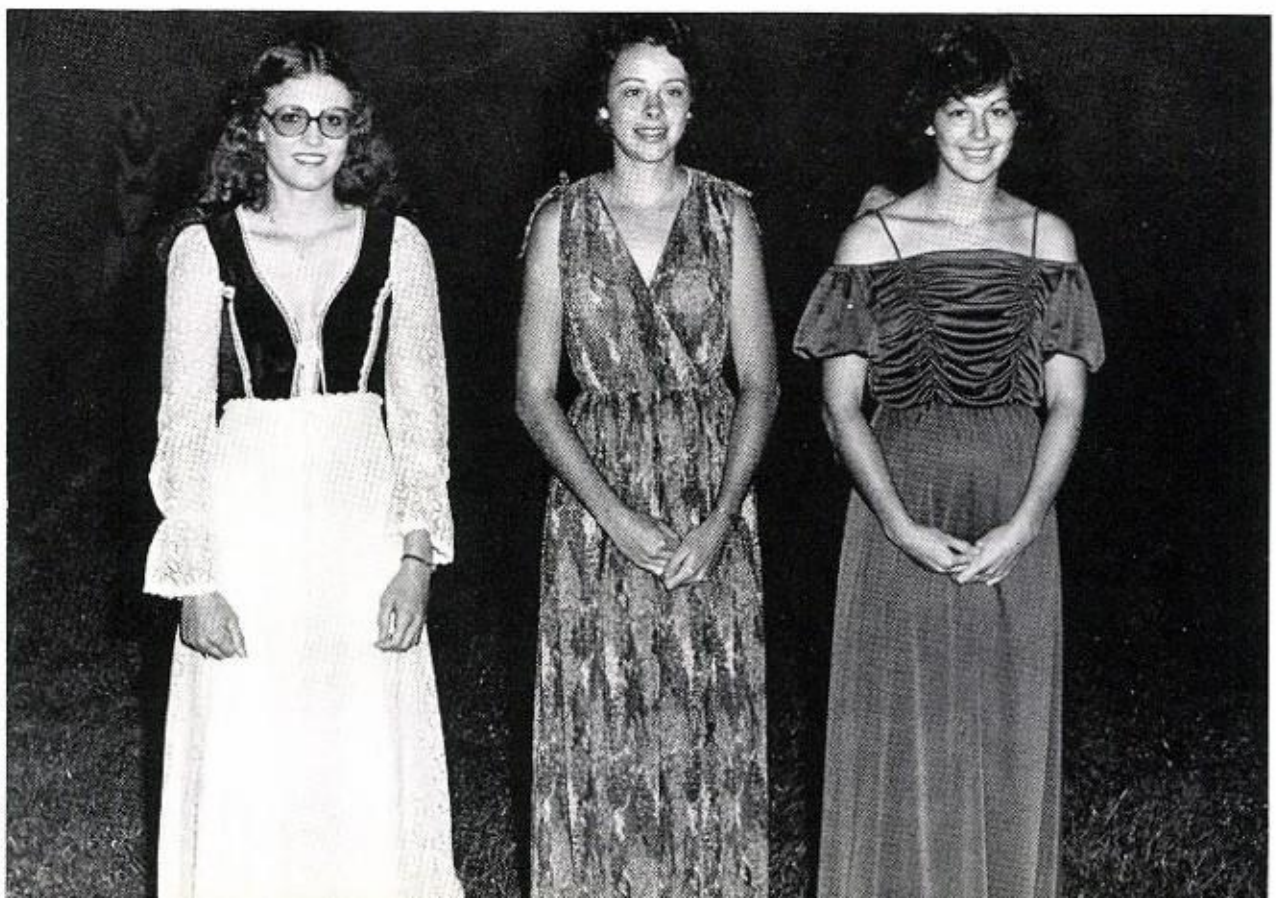
Football Homecoming Royalty: Tracy Kelly, Matt Leisman, Sam Bennington, Brook Cooper, Sharon Smyth, Mike Walker, Brenda Perry, Laura Corken, Jim Knierim, Helena Basham, Jody Ellison, Christy Armstrong, Mike Leisman, Melinda Garst, and Neil Mobley. Crownbearers were Tricia Thomas and Ken Bemberger.

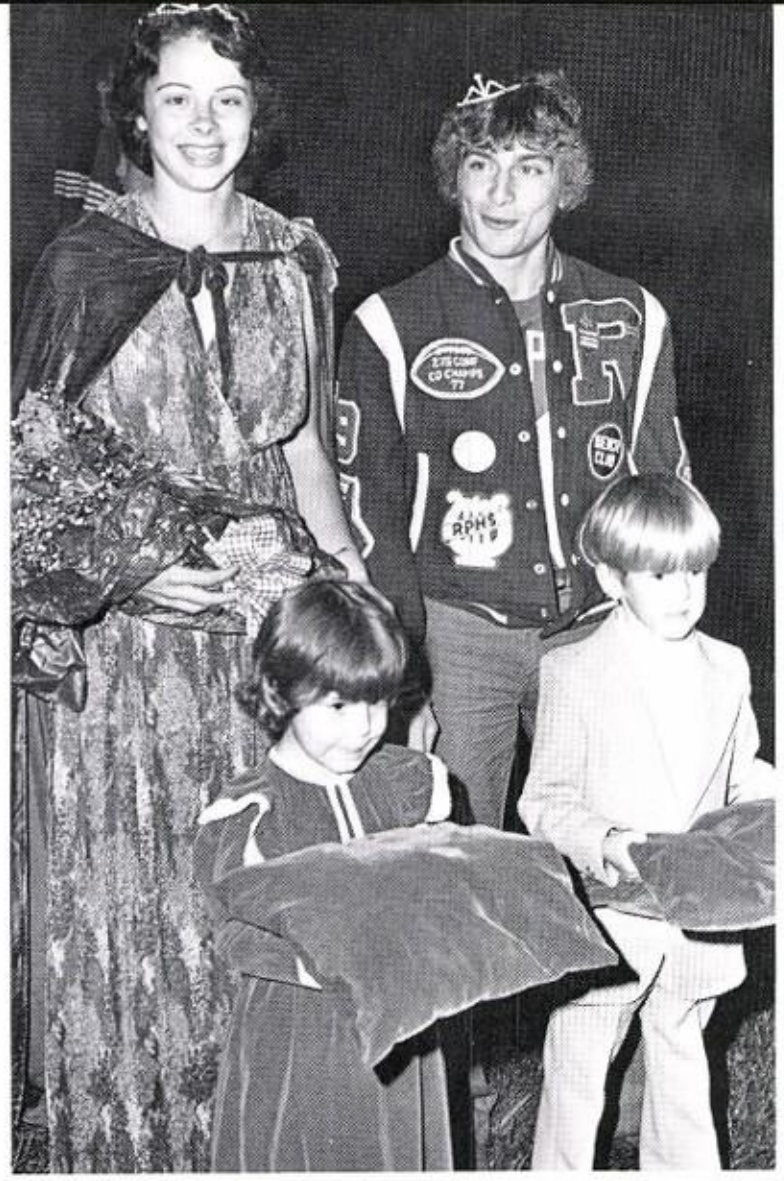
# A Night to Remember

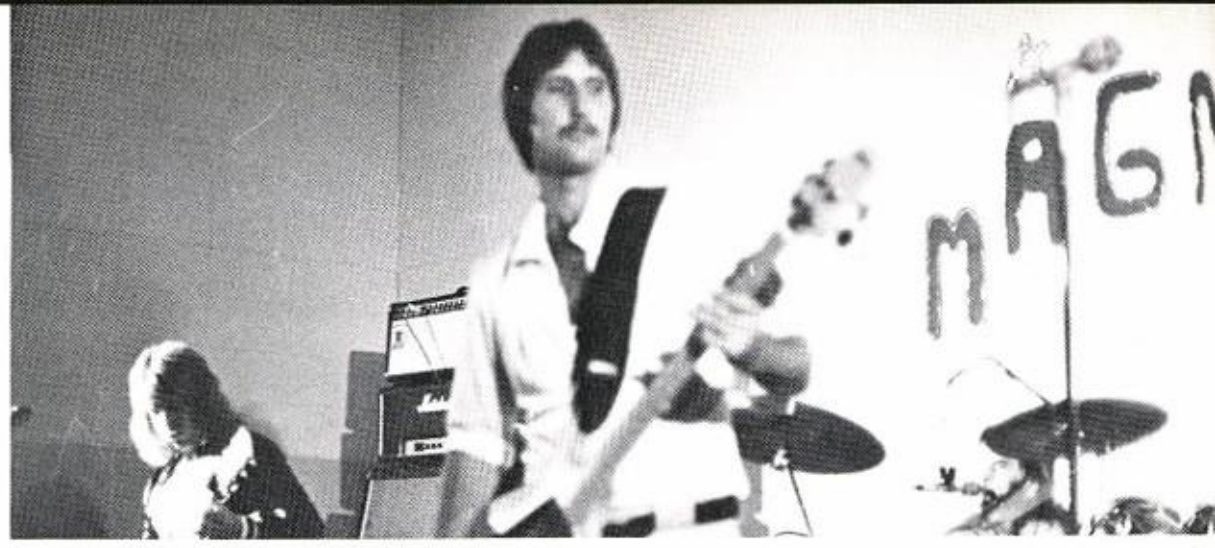
Football Homecoming Week at RPHS was celebrated in many ways. One special festivity that a lot of kids took part in was the different dress code throughout the days of the week. Monday was Hat Day, and everyone tried to wear their favorite hat. Tuesday the fifties really came back into style. Wednesday was Sloppy Joe Day and kids wore their raggiest clothes. Thursday was Mourning Day and everyone wore something black to represent the defeat that would take place the next day. Friday was Blue-White Day. Also during the week each football player had a secret guardian angel. They decorated their lockers, fixed them food and whatever else they could think of. On Friday the Pep Club revealed the guardian angels and the coaches gave a great pep talk at the Pep Rally. The Blue Jays got off to a great start that evening with a conference win over the Fairfax Bulldogs by the score of 14 to 8. Laura Corken and Jim Knierim were crowned queen and king at the conclusion of the game. The dance was held in the Multi-Purpose Room with music provided by "Magnum".

King and Queen at last.

Queen candidates waits anxiously.







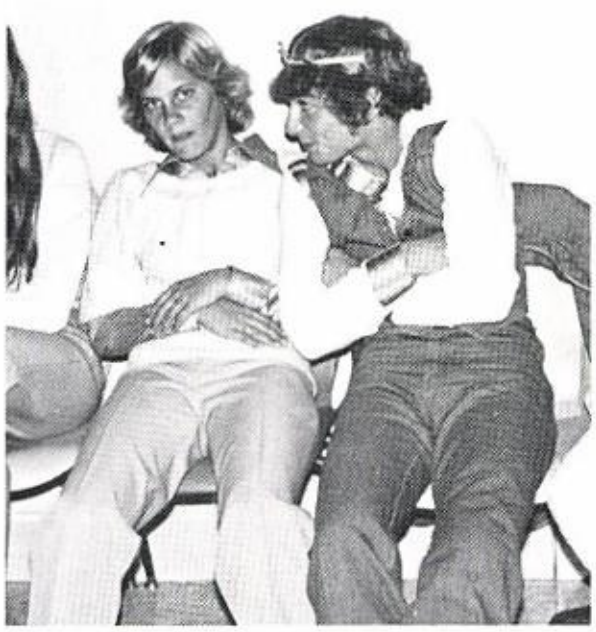
"Magnum" gets down!

At left: Tricia and Ken crownbearers.

# '78 Football Homecoming

Everyone boogies!

King Jim sits one out.



Jeff kisses Queen Laura.

King Candidates anticipate the big moment.

# "Your're a Good Man Charlie Brown"

This year, Rock Port High School presented the all-school musical, "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown", on March 23 and 24. The double-cast play involved the lovable, laughable comic strip characters created by famed cartoonist Charles Schulz. The production featured the Peanuts Gang in personal glimpses and mini-scenes conveying the unique, individual personalities of each character. The play was directed by Ms. Arlene Sollars and vocal direction by Mrs. Lynn Hunter.

THE CAST

Charlie Brown. . . . . Larry Kennell
Linus . . . . . Nathan Schaffner
Schroeder . . . . . Kevin Gilbertson, Fri.
Bob Stanton, Sat.
Lucy. . . . . Laura Shue, Fri.
Cindy Walker, Sat.
Patty. . . . . Julia Groff, Fri.
Jo Bermingham, Sat.
Snoopy . . . . . Jim Knierim, Fri.
Paula Peck, Sat.
Chorus . . . . . Margee Bogenreif
Bev Gilpin
Dawn Pankau

Snoopy and Patty.

THE PRODUCTION STAFF

Assistant to Director . . . . . Laura Shue
Stage Manager. . . . . Sharmyn Steele
Properties . . . . . Sue Ann Schoonover
Lighting Crew. . . . . Duane Schierkolk
Denise Schoonover
Cheryl McCall
Sound Crew . . . . . Matt Stoner
Make-Up Crew . . . . . Margee Bogenreif
Christy Armstrong
Denise Schoonover
Valerie Herron
Scenery Crew . . . . . Duane Schierkolk
Larry Kennell
Brook Cooper
Mike Jimenez
Julie Chapple
Albert Shaw
Marquee . . . . . Matt Stoner
Cindy Walker
Brook Cooper
Denise Schoonover
Margee Bogeneeif
Costume Crew . . . . . Marcia Mulvania
Julie Chapple
Tammy Gibson
Patty O'Barsky
Julie Morrison
House Manager/Tickets. . . . . Mary Cook
Publicity . . . . . Julie Chapple
Cindy Walker
Robin Moore
JaNay Martin
Conda Peeler
Program. . . . . Becky Brusha

The Red Baron flies his plane.

# All School Play

A mean looking bunch.

Lucy sings to Schroeder.

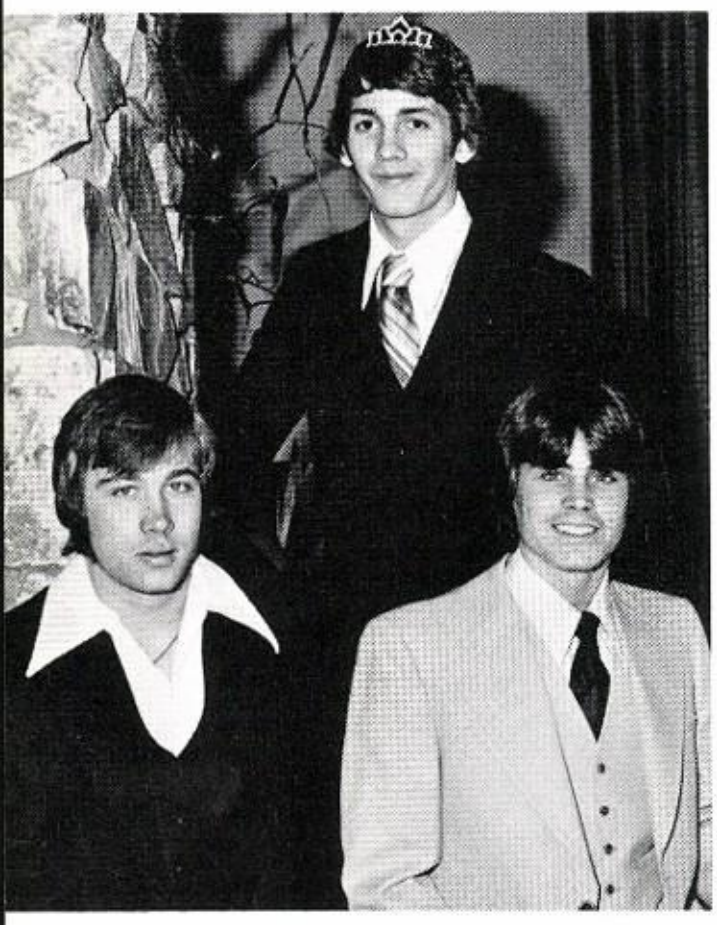
Linus has a few words with Lucy.

Everyone sings along.

# 'Night Before Christmas

The Student Council picked the theme "The Night Before Christmas" for this years Christmas Ball, which was held in the multi-purpose room, December 15. The music this year was a bit different, because instead of a band there was a disc jockey. Coronation took place in the middle of the dance where Bob Stanton and Elaine McMahon reigned as King and Queen. They are pictured at right with crownbearers Kari Carpenter and Shawn Powell.

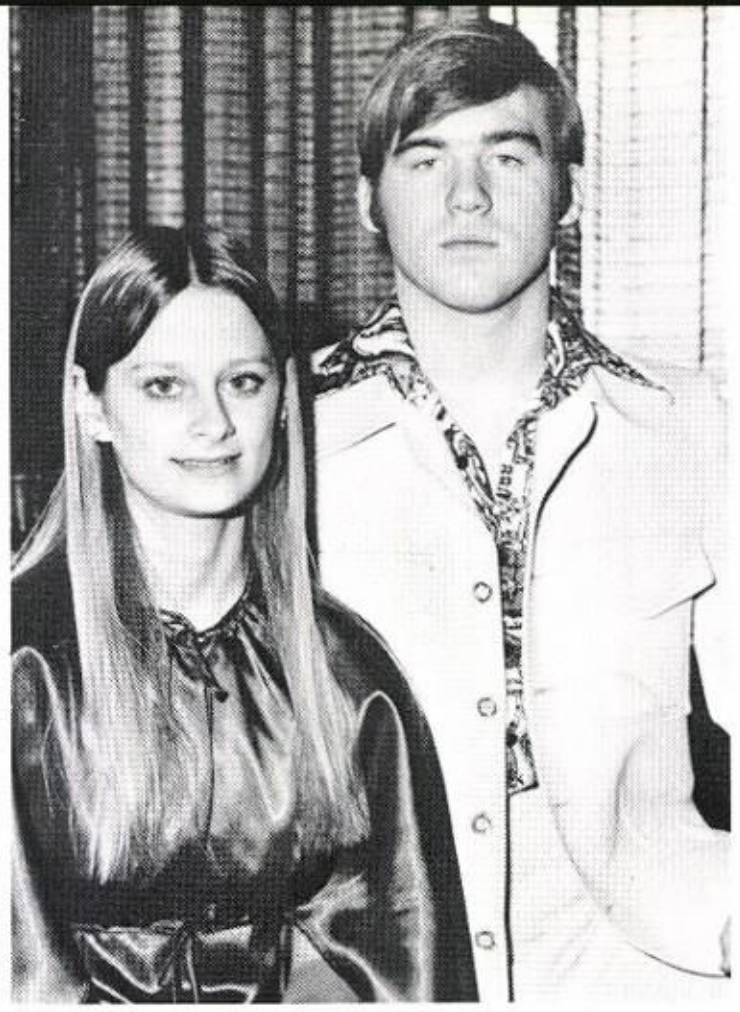
King candidates were Garry, Bob and Mike.



Queen candidates were Martha, Elaine and Brenda.

I really would . . . .

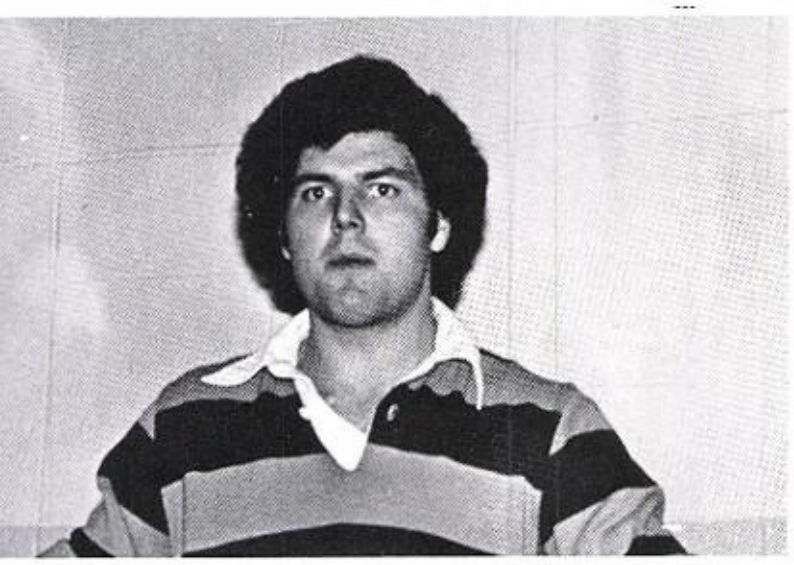
Disco Machine.



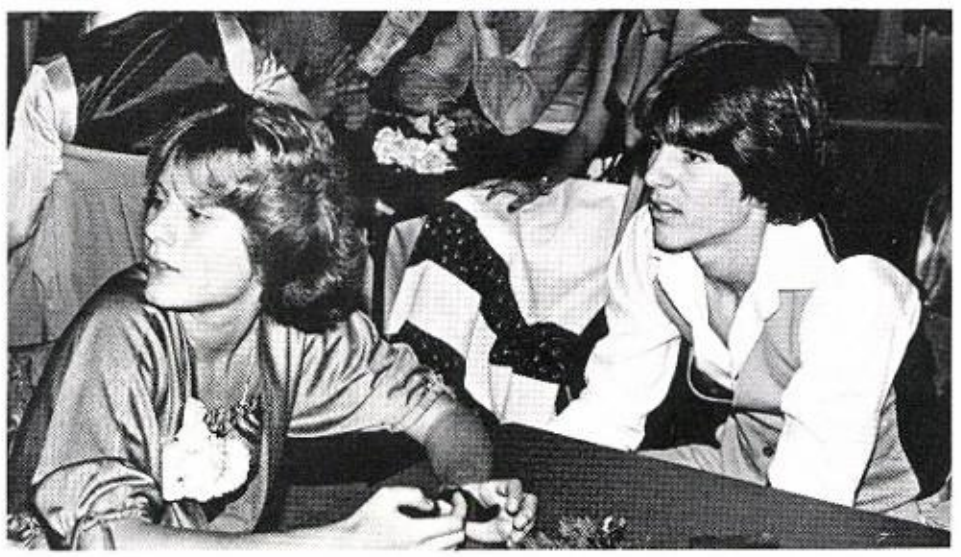
Becky and Mark take a break.

At far left:
Malisa and Mark.

At left:
Paula and Larry.

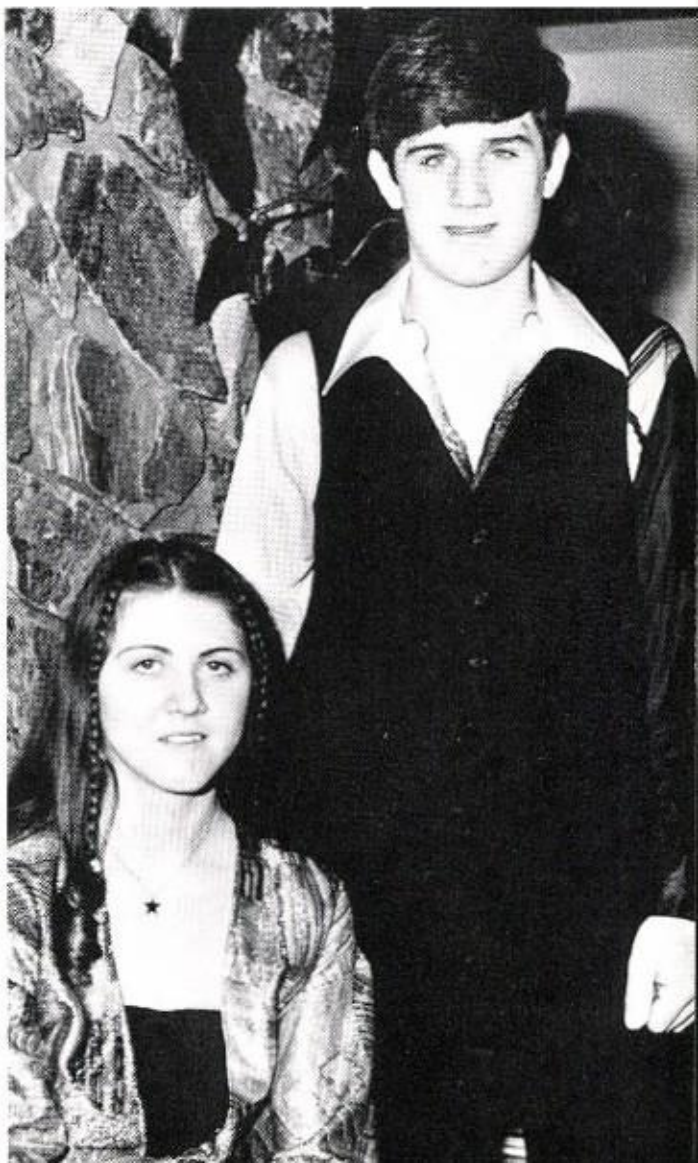


Lisa and Brad.



Lea Ann and Tom.

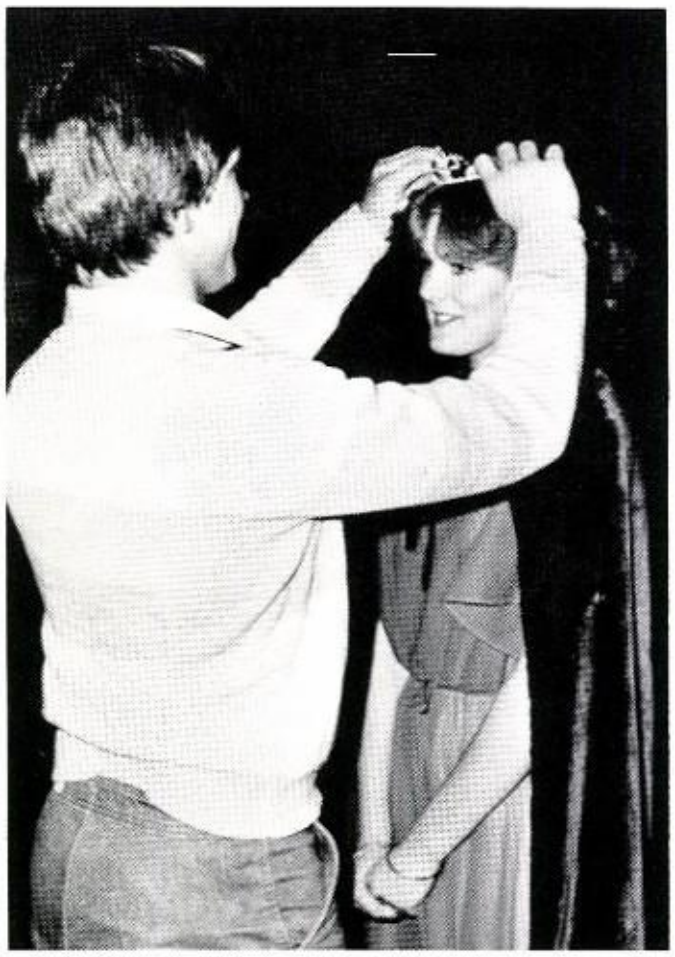
Sandra and Curtis.



Basketball Homecoming Royalty: S. Freeman, M. Leseberg, S. Heits, M. Wilczek, H. Basham, S. Mulvania, J. Ellison, A. Lininger, L. Wharton, J. Hughes, G. Soske, P. Mobley, S. Minter, A. Mahue, T. M. Wharton, M. Chamberlain, B. Minter.

Smile! You're on candid camera.

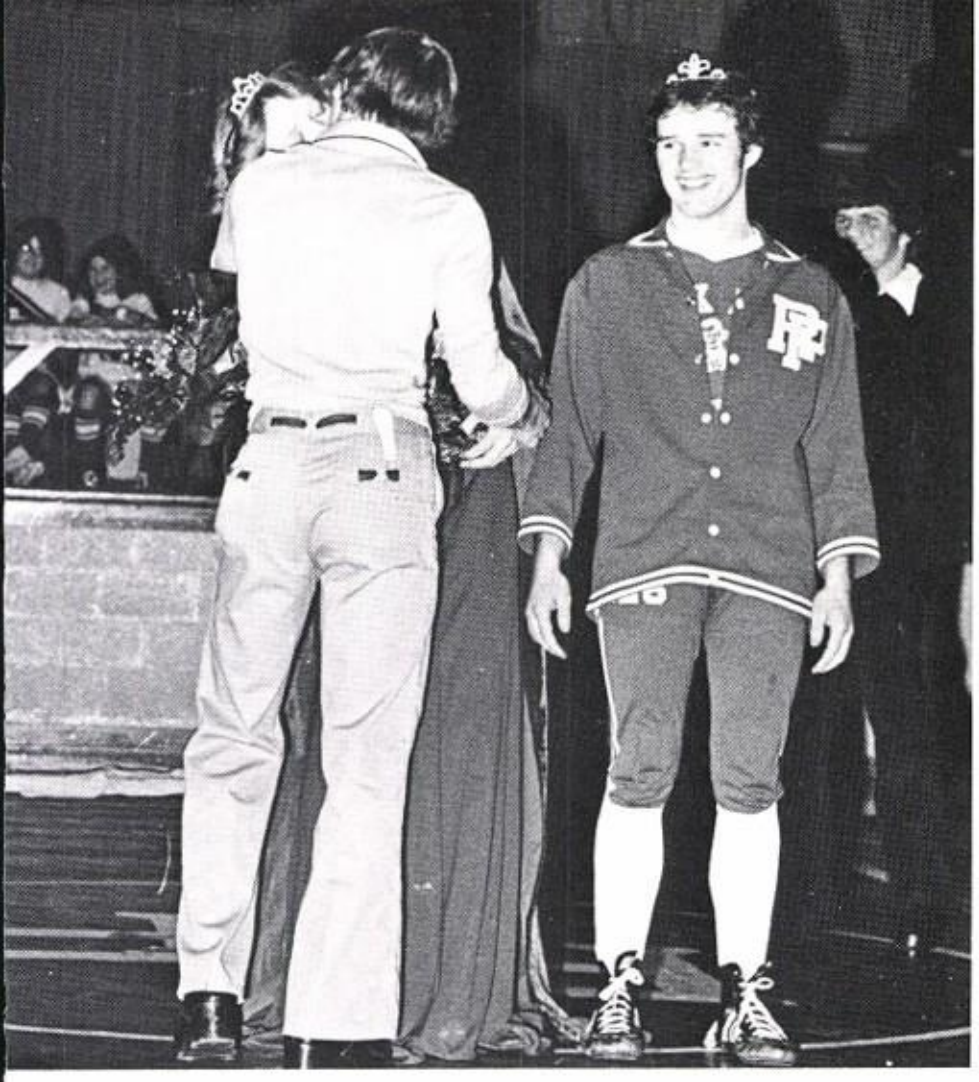
A happy couple.



Jay adds the finishing touch.

At right: Shawn congratulates Jody.

# Winter Sports Homecoming

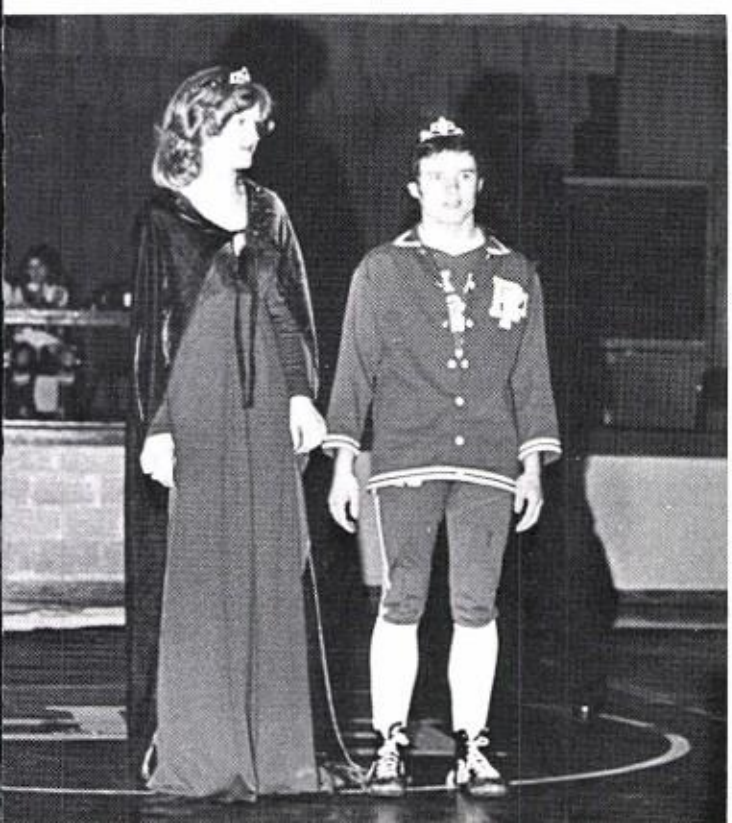


Jim presents the roses and a kiss.

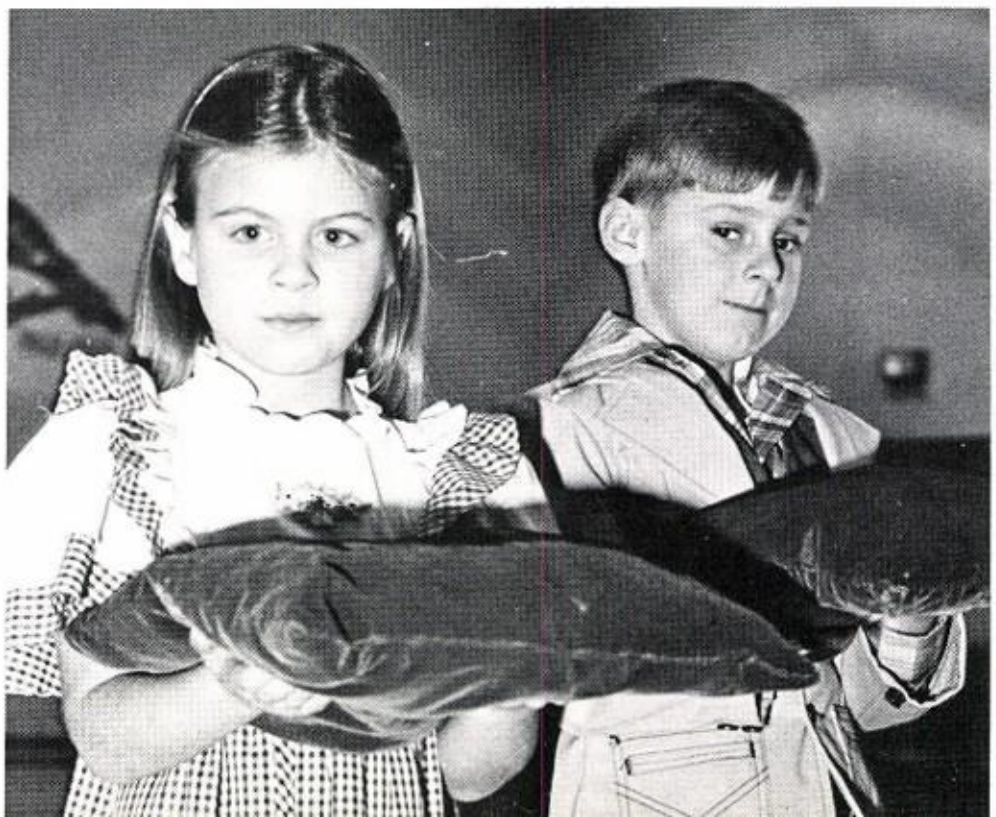
This year basketball homecoming and wrestling homecoming were combined together and it was called Winter Sports Homecoming. The wrestling match was held Thursday, February 1, against Hamburg. The team lost 38-21. February 2, the girls and boys hosted Burlington Junction. The girls won 45 to 38, and the boys lost with a score of 66 to 87. The Homecoming Dance was held February 3 in the Multi-Purpose room with music provided by "Sunset Field".

Wrestling Homecoming Royalty: Steve Pierce, Valerie Fischer, Becky Fischer, Mike Danley, Marlene Haynes, Rodney Clark, Melinda Long, Bill Alloway, Mike McMahon, Joy Lewis. Not shown: Zel Fischer, Carla Kerr.

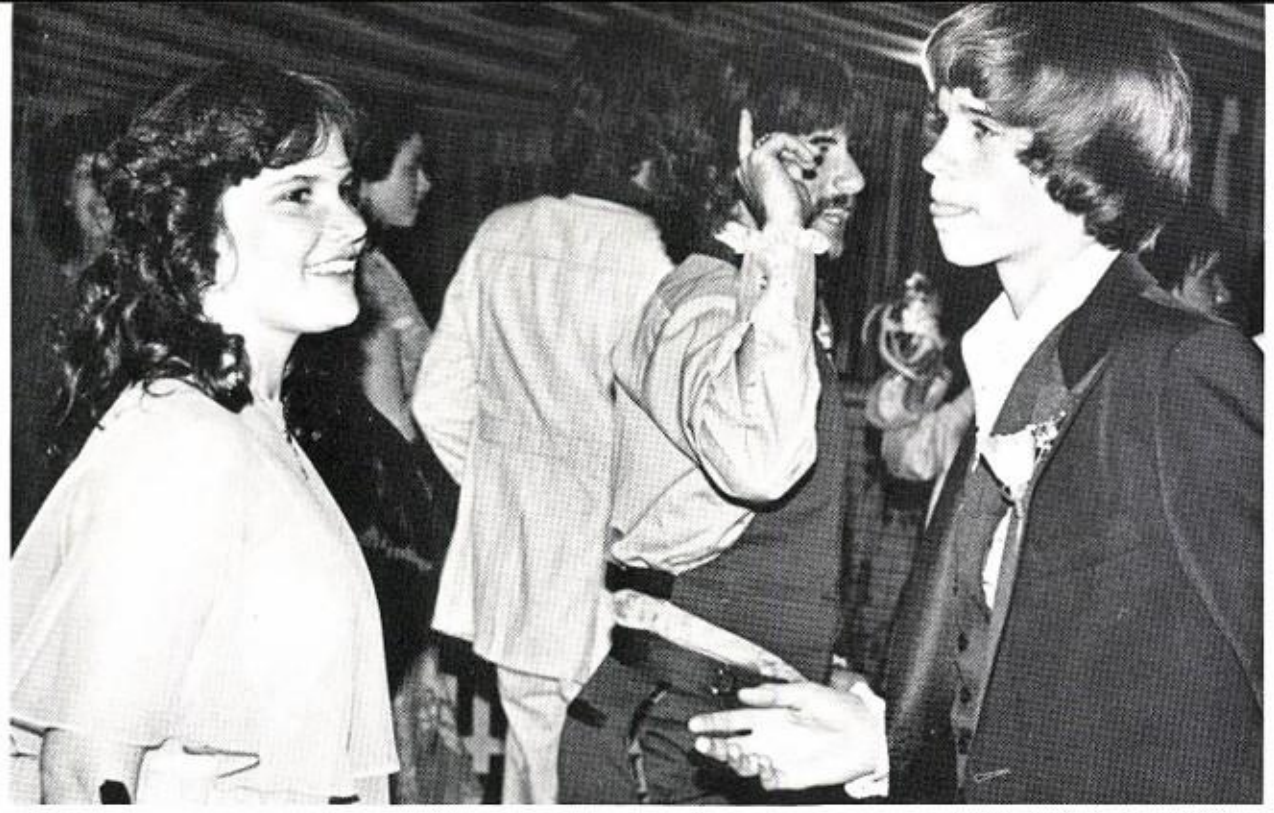
Wrestling king and queen, Marlene and Mike.



The crownbearers: Heather Garst and Joey Bradley.



Lisa enjoys herself at the banquet.

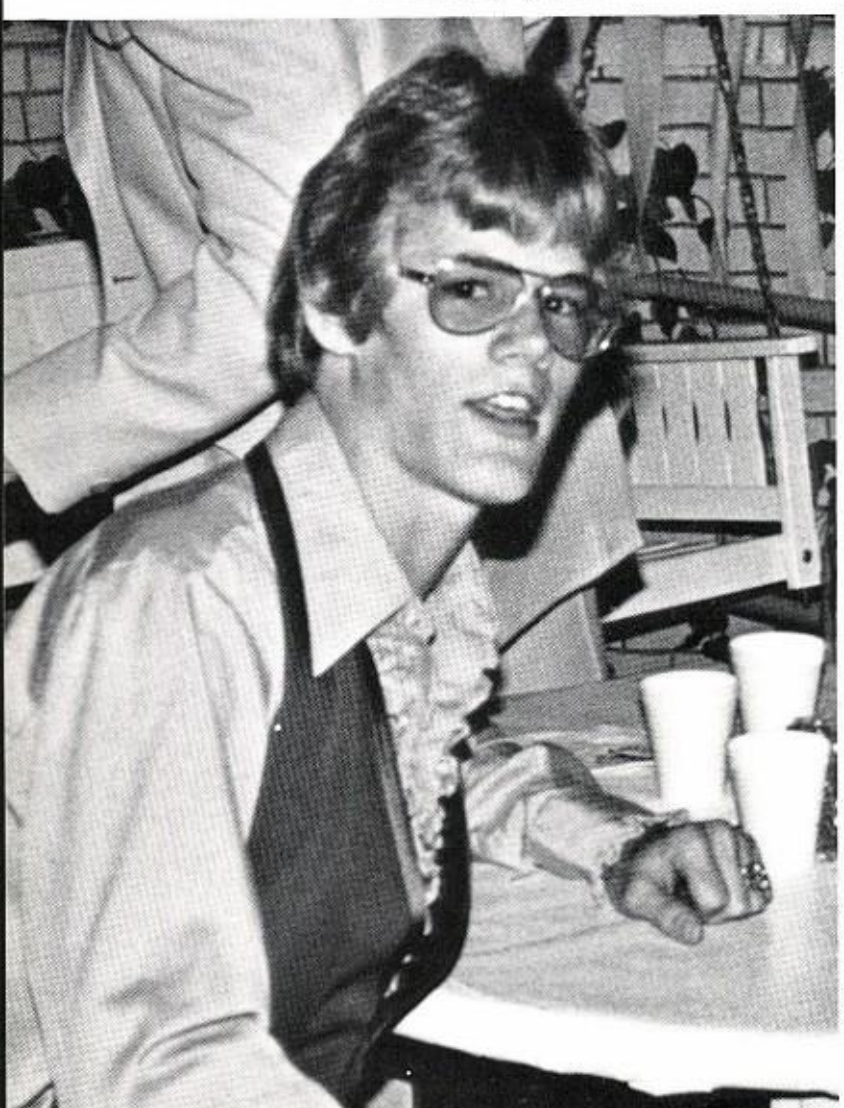


Above: Freak and JaNay have a good time . Below: Taking a time out.

Ms. Wessler has a fun evening.

What did you say??

One wild and crazy guy!!



Three's company.

Gary discos at prom.

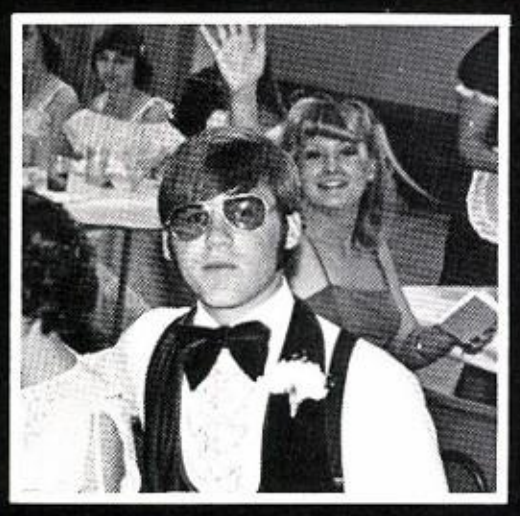
Stacy and Paul have a good time.

"I thought that was funny, didn't you?"

# Jr.-Sr. Banquet and Prom "Summer Nights"

The Junior-Senior Banquet was held in the Multi-purpose room on Saturday, April 21. The meal consisting of ham. scalloped potatoes, corn, jello salad, cherry cheesecake, homemade bread, and tea, was cooked and served by the junior mothers. This year's prom theme was "Summer Nights". The juniors spent much time decorating the Memorial Building with garden furniture, potted trees, and a white arched bridge with draped flowers. The music, "The Disco Dance", was provided by Len Becker, Hiawatha, Kansas.

The servers were, Row 1: Susan Freeman, Susette Daugherty, Jo Bermingham, Dianna Lynn, Sandra Lann. Row 2: Curt Mather, Doug McMahon, Sandie Morton, Mike Leseberg. Not shown: Kathie Phillips, Zel Fischer. The butlers were: Pat Sheldon and Mike Nielsen.



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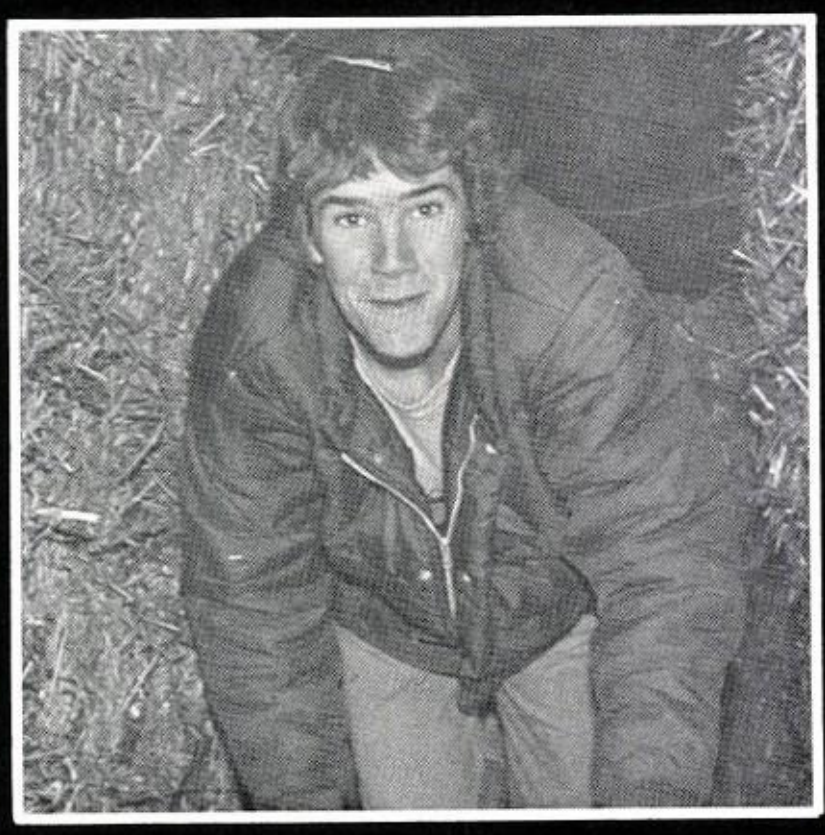
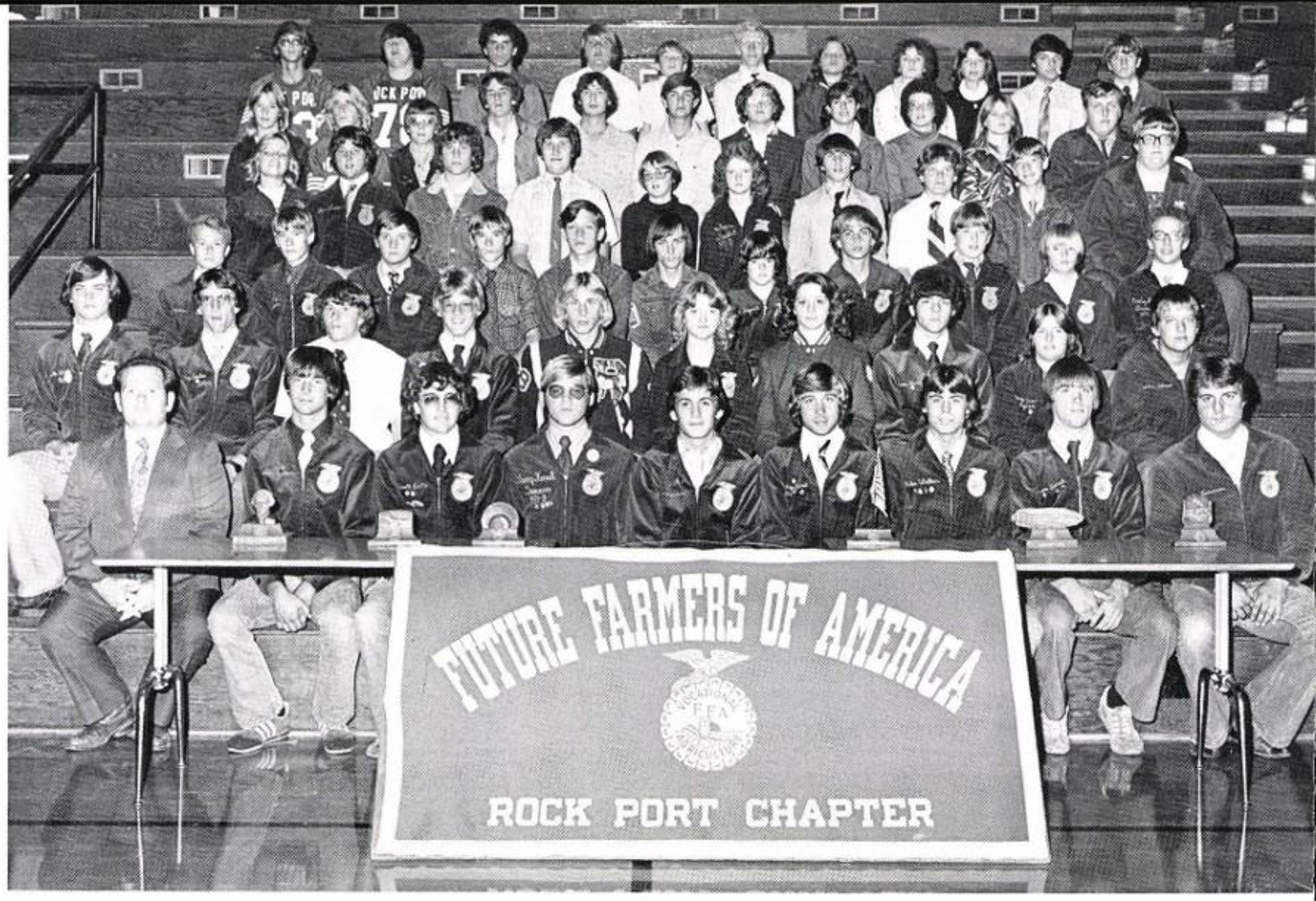
# Organizations

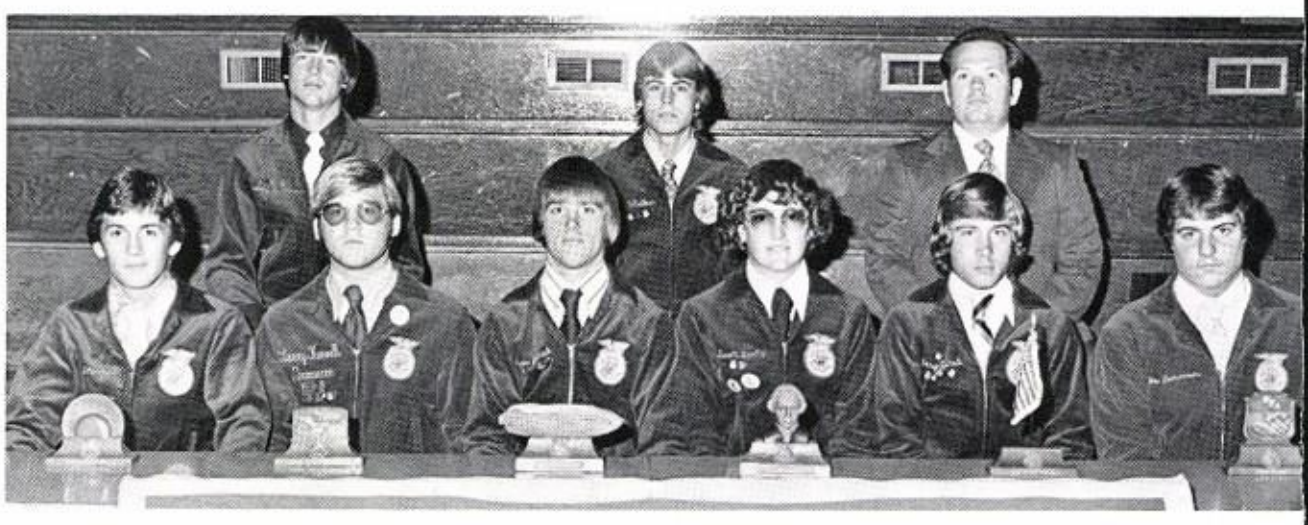
*Live a day at a time and remember that tomorrow is another day.*






FFA, Row 1: Mr. Pearce, K. Sutter, S. Deatz, L. Kennell, B. Stanton, G. Garst, M. Walker, J. Garst, M. Leisman. Row 2: M. Stoner, G. Soske, C. Chamberlain, T. Schomburg, R. Clark, M. Haynes, K. Phillips, G. McCall, M. Sybert, B. Shaw. Row 3: R. Thiles, L. Duncan, R. Lawson, H. Duncan, C. O'Barsky, J. Watson, B. Howell, P. Sheldon, C. Ellison, D. Perry, S. Heits. Row 4: K. Phillips, J. Ellison, S. Mulvania, D. Briggs, M. Cooper, B. Haynes, D. Lair, S. Howell, D. Ingram, A. Shaw. Row 5: E. Easley, B. Clark, M. Leisman, D. McMahon, J. Buttercase, J. Kirk, B. Fisher, S. Heits, M. Sheldon, L. Neilsen, B. Hurst. Row 6: S. Bennington, Z. Fisher, E. Mulvania, J. Jochim, J. Squires, K. Hurst, L. Danley, C. Peeler, M. Underwood, B. Danley, D. Neemann.

Peek-A-Boo

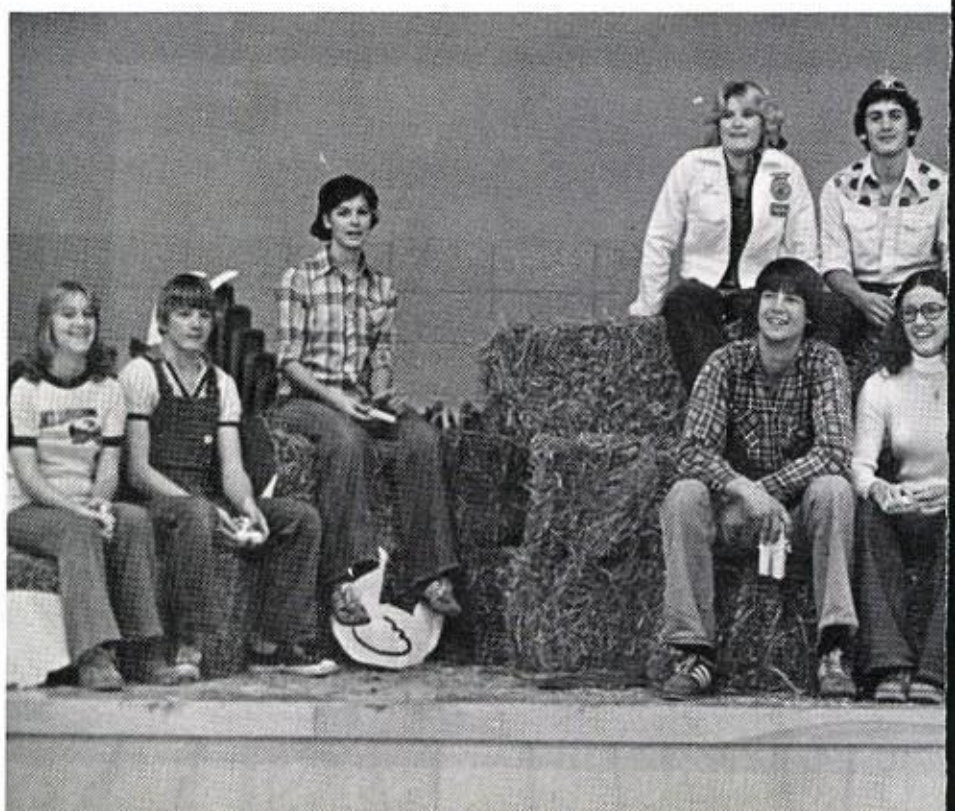


Barnwarming royalty.

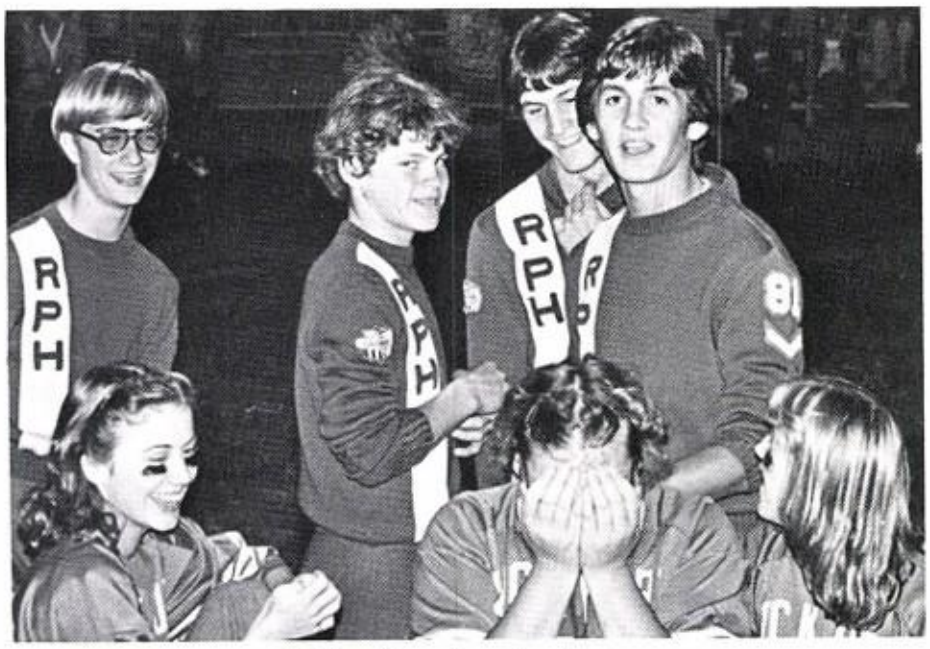
# FFA Keeps Busy

Leading the FFA were their officers at center right, Row 1: Bob Stanton, president; Larry Kennell, vice president; Jim Garst, secretary; Scott Deatz, treasurer; Garry Garst, reporter; Mike Leisman, sentinel. Row 2: Kevin Sutter, student council; Mike Walker, reporter.

The FFA this year had many exciting activities, they were: Watermelon Bust, Lincoln State Fair, Chili Supper, Parents Night, Barnwarming, Skating Party, Pig Roast, Farm Machinery Show, Oyster Supper, FFA Contests, and Parent and Member Awards Banquet. With these fun activities FFA had a very successful year.



FHA, Row 1: T. Minderman, M. Roberts, K. Lingerfelt, C. Peeler, W. Tudor. Row 2: C. Rosenbohm, J. Allee, K. Hendrickson, S. Daugherty, K. Schultz, S. Lawson. Row 3: B. Perry, B. Ingram, T. Rosenbohm, H. Basham, P. O'Barsky, Ms. Wessler. Row 4: D. Pfeil, M. Shaw, P. Peck, D. Underwood, J. Morrison, T. Gibson, L. Shue, K. Kroll. Row 5: N. Edwards, C. Squires, M. Cook, D. Ellison, V. Herron, M. Kroll, S. Smyth, D. Pankau.




We're the cheerleaders.

# Active FHA'ers

FHA had many fun times this year with lots of activities. A few were: Powder Puff Football, Parents Night, Skating Party, Chili Supper, and Barnwarming where Bob Stanton and Kim Hendrickson reigned as King and Queen.

Officers leading FHA through the year 1978-79 were: Dannye Underwood, president; Paula Peck, vice-president; Debbie Pfeil, reporter; Mary Shaw, student council; Brenda Perry, secretary; Tammy Gibson, historian; Laura Shue, recreation leader; Julie Morrison, treasurer; Kim Kroll, parlimentarian; Ms. Jeanette Wessler, advisor.

# Mutual Decisions

The Student Council, under the direction and leadership of President Bob Stanton, enjoyed creating an active, busy year for themselves and for the recreation of others. The council's activities included sponsoring the annual Christmas Ball and planning and sponsoring the Football Homecoming. Both occasions were well-attended and very successful. Intermittent meetings were held throughout the year to discuss important matters such as the current litter problem, location of garbage containers, and establishing appropriate areas for social gathering prior to school hours. Attending the meetings and lending beneficial advice was Mr. Hal Turner, sponsor.

78-79 Officers, Row 1: Bob Stanton, president. Row 2: Cheryl McCall, treasurer, Jana Stoner, secretary, Nathan Schaffner, vice-president.

# Learning from Experience

The members of the FTA organization were involved in a variety of exposures and activities pertaining to the teaching field this year. The students had an individual choice as to what class they would like to teach, and they also went through a screening process to help affirm their decision. Working with elementary students, they were evaluated by a supervising teacher each day, as well as filling out self-examination forms after completing daily assigned work. One requirement for the members was to design a bulletin board during the year.

FTA members, Row 1: N. Schaffner, N. Edwards, C. Chamberlain. Row 2: K. Gilbertson, J. Knierim. Not shown: G. Soske, P. Peck, K. Lenard.

The Student Council representatives, Row 1: J. Stoner, S. Lininger, K. Allee, M. Groff, D. Schoonover, Mr. Turner. Row 2: K. Lipham, M. Boatman, A. Bryan. Row 3: C. McCall, D. Schoonover, L. Deatz, T. Scamman, J. Knierim. Row 4: B. Cooper, A. Duntz, N. Edwards, J. Mobley. Row 5: E. McMahon, J. Groff, S. Gebhards, A. Jackson. Row 6: S. Freeman, L. Wharton, B. Stanton, E. Mulvania. Row 7: G. Soske, M. Long, K. Sutter, D. McMahon. Row 8: M. Shaw, C. Walker, N. Schaffner.

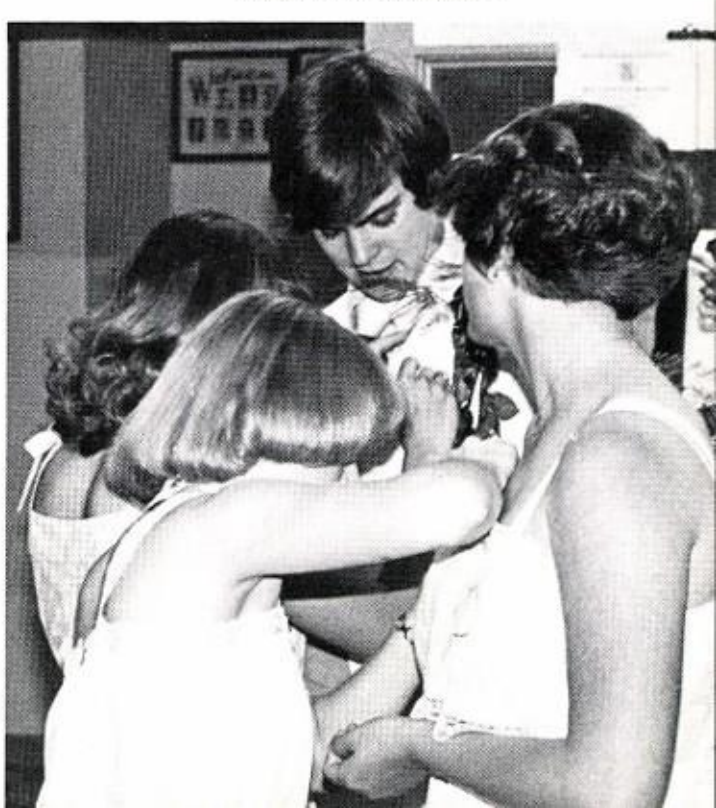
National Honor Society, Row 1: N. Edwards, N. Schaffner, P. Peck, L. Kennell, C. Walker, M. Stoner, J. Groff, D. Schierkolk, J. Chapple. Row 2: M. Heits, M. Walker, L. Corken, K. Sutter, J. Stoner, B. Laverentz, Mr. Turner, advisor, B. Perry, G. Garst, L. Wharton, J. Knierim, S. Steele, G. Soske.

National Honor Society officers.

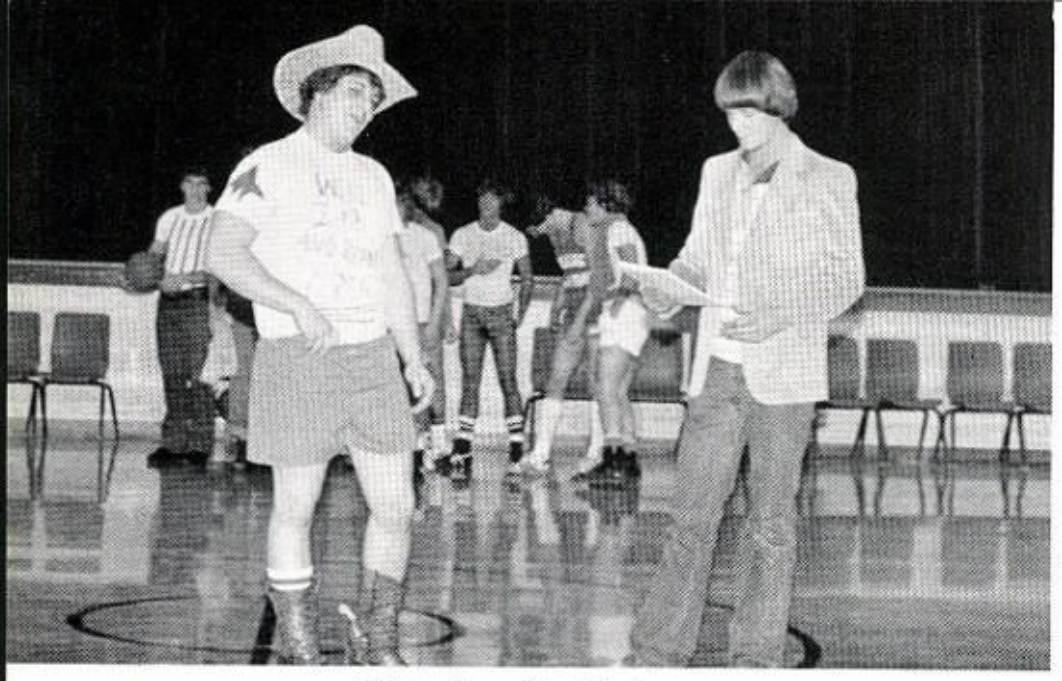
# National Honor Society Initiate Nine

The National Honor Society held its honorary tapping ceremony March 5 in the high school gymnasium. Nine junior class members were selected to become members of this prestigious organization on the basis of character, scholarship, leadership, and service. Induction ceremonies were held April 23 at the high school, followed by a reception in the home economics room afterward. Mr. Hal Turner served as the advisor.

At left: Newly initiated members being congratulated following the services. The National Honor Society officers: Laura Corken, vice-president; Jana Stoner, treasurer; Lisa Wharton, secretary; Sharmyn Steele, president; Brenda Perry, student council.

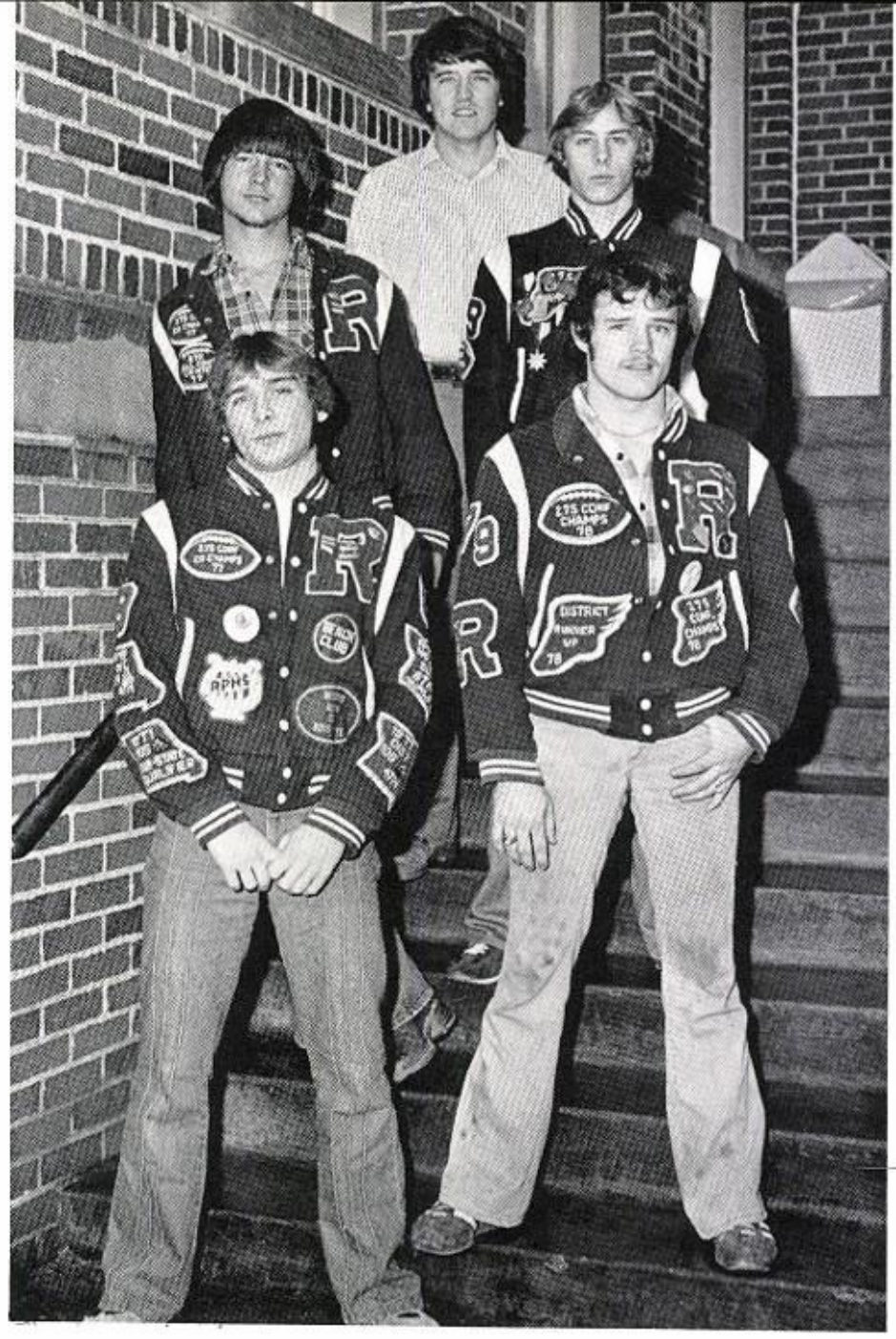


Anxious initiates.



Mike plays Big Ted.

R-Club held initiation again this year after a period of dormancy. Fall initiation was held following the football season, and spring initiation towards the end to the track season. Twelve new members were initiated after football, and a few more were brought in following the track season. The members co-sponsored R-Club Fun Night and put on a pep assembly before the Fairfax basketball game. Several other activities were planned, but snow days and other conflicts caused their cancellation. R-Club officers for the '78-'79 were, Row 1: Jim Knierim, president; Mike Danley, vice-president, Kevin Sutter, sergeant-at-arms; Rod Clark, secretary-treasurer; Mr. Mike Rader, sponsor. Not shown: Gary Soske, student council; Mr. Wayne Moore, sponsor.



R-Club members, Row 1: B. Alloway, A. Jackson, T. Schomburg, M. Danley. Row 2: J. Knierim, M. Leisman, K. Sutter, R. Clark. Row 3: K. Oswald, B. Stanton, M. Wilczek, Mr. Rader. Row 4: M. Nielsen, E. Mulvania, C. Chamberlain, P. Sheldon, D. McMahon. Not shown: G. Soske, M. Stoner, T. Salfrank, D. Kerr, Mr. Moore.

# Boy's R-Club Grows in Number

# Girl's R-Club Excells with Experience

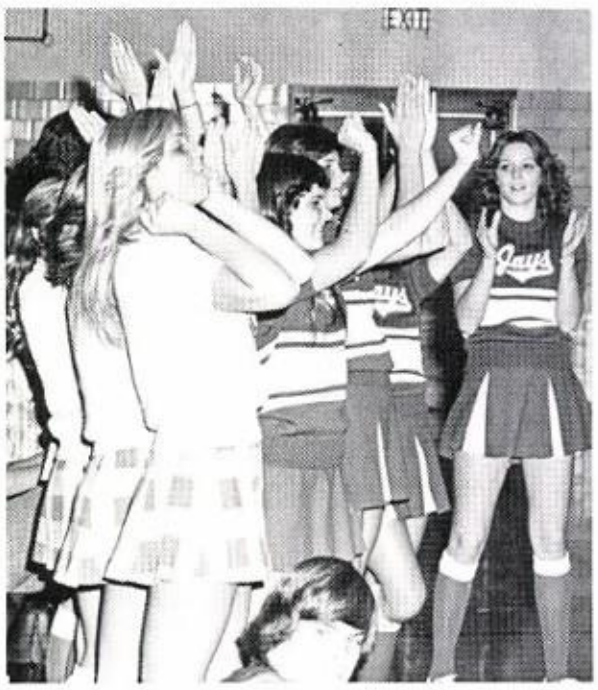
Girls R-Club members, Row 1: S. Heits, K. Salfrank, E. McMahon, L. Wharton, K. Phillips, M. Long, S. Freeman, H. Basham, K. Hendrickson. Row 2: L. Corken, A. Duntz, M. Roberts, R. Moore, J. Groff, C. Walker, D. Schoonover, K. Scamman, M. Haynes, Mrs. Runkles, M. Shaw, M. Loader, S. Schoonover.

Girls R-Club had an active year. Activities sponsored by the girls included noontime freethrow and volleyball contests, R-Club Fun Night, and cleaning of the trophy cases. With the money they raised, they bought pins to identify themselves as R-Club members. They made mini-posters every week to boost enthusiasm in girls sports and worked to get new members initiated into the club. Officers were at right: Row 1: Mrs. Runkles, sponsor; Laura Corken, vice-president; Marlene Haynes, president; Mary Shaw, secretary, Elaine McMahon, treasurer; Melinda Long, student council.

Girls defeat women faculty R-Club Fun Night.

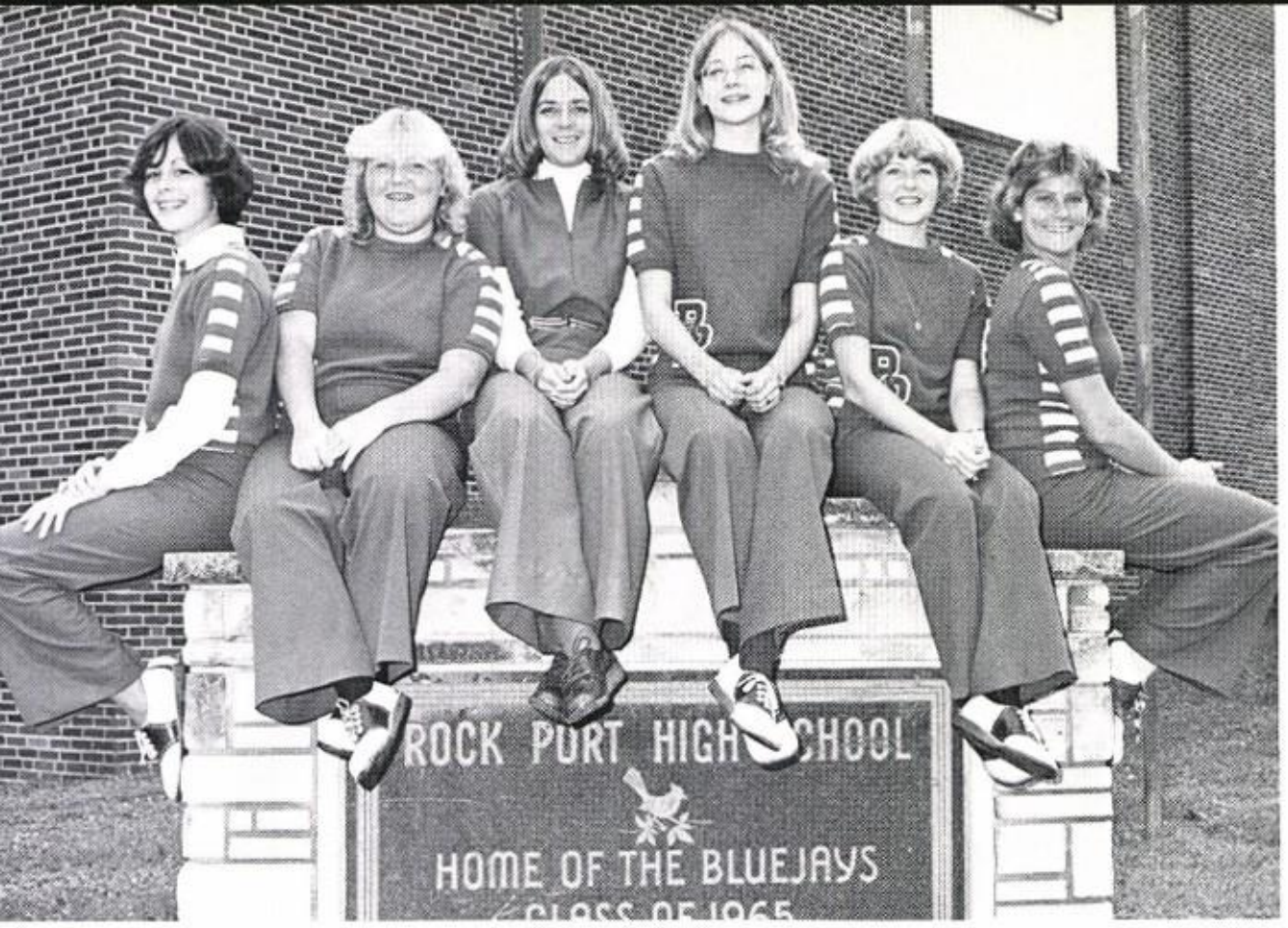
The Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleaders had a great year. Both worked very hard at clinic and were justly rewarded. The Junior Varsity received 1 excellent and 3 superior ribbons. The Varsity received 4 superior ribbons and was nominated for the Award of Excellence. Both Varsity and Junior Varsity received the Spirit Stick every day, took the Spirit Stick home, and received the NCA Spirit Award. The girls never relaxed their spirit when the teams needed them. At right Junior Varsity Cheerleaders: K. Phillips, B. Cooper, S. Freeman (head), P. Mobley, and J. Martin. Below RPHS Cheerleading Squad: Pam Mobley, JaNay Martin, Christy Armstrong, Julie Mobley, Cheryl McCall, Brook Cooper, Kathy Phillips, Susan Freeman, Helena Basham Laura Corken (head), and Kymm Phillips.

Spirited Cheerleaders.




Varsity Cheerleaders: C. Armstrong, C. McCall, J. Mobley, H. Basham, L. Corken, and K. Phillips.

# Show School Spirit



What did she say?

# Royal Rooters

The Pep Club carried on the yearly tradition of cheering the Blue Jays on, win or lose, rain or shine. They followed the Jays to nearly every game. This dedicated group of girls often came home late and hoarse and did a terrific job of building up the Blue Jay's Spirit. They also sponsor Football's Dad's Night and Basketball Homecoming. Pep Club officers: Brenda Perry, treasurer; Denise Schoonover, vice-president; Ms. Vicki Brubaker, sponsor; Jana Stoner, president; Julie Chapple, secretary; and Cindy Walker, student council. Above right: Brenda, Jana and Julie cheer Jays on.

Pep Club, Row 1: L. Corken, B. Cooper, J. Mobley, P. Mobley, J. Martin. Row 2; V. Herron, D. Underwood, C. Armstrong, C. McCall, S. Freeman, H. Basham, K. Phillips, K. Phillips, M. Roberts, C. Walker, D. Schoonover, J. Chapple, S. Steele, Y. Jiminez, L. Bray, K. Salfrank, S. Daugherty, B. Brusha. Row 3: M. Sybert, S. Lann, D. Lynn, S. Smyth, J. Bermingham, A. Duntz, S. Thompson, J. Scamman, M. Cooper, M. Bogenreif, T. Minderman, B. Groff, B. Perry, M. Shelton, S. Freeman, C. Johnson, M. Kroll. Row 4: C. Peeler, S. Schoonover, V. Brubaker, B. Gilpin, W. Tudor, M. Desmond.

# Forensics Has Busy Year

Speech and Drama Club, Row 1: K. Gilbertson, M. Heits, J. Chapple, M. Shaw, Ms. Sollars. Row 2: C. Walker, J. Groff, S. Daugherty, R. Moore, M. Roberts, A. Alley, C. Peeler. Row 3: M. Burg, L. Shue, N. Schaffner, D. Ellison

Besides the annual meetings, the Speech and Drama Club held their annual pie sale. They also sponsored the Blue Jay Relay Queen Contest. The club had a new booth at the Mardi Gras this year, it was called the "Shot Gun Wedding" booth. On their spring trip they went to Anderson School House Theatre. Besides helping in the all school musical "Your A Good Man Charlie Brown," many of the members brought home trophies from speech contests. Below left Speech Team, Row 1: J. Chapple, C. Walker, J. Bermingham, N. Schaffner. Row 2: L. Shue, M. Burg, M. Bogenreif, S. Steele, Ms. Sollars. Officers for Speech and Drama at right, Row 1: Marissa Heits secretary, Ms. Sollars, sponsor. Row 2: Laura Shue, president, Nathan Schaffner, vice-president, student council and historian.

# Keepers of the Library

The Librarians have been busy this year. In addition to keeping the library in tip-top shape, they were also responsible for the Sadie Hawkins Dance which was held March 8. The students were allowed to dress up hillbilly style that day as shown below by Cindy, Christy and Denise.

The officers were, Row 1: Mary Shaw, president; Julia Groff, vice-president; Cindy Walker, secretary. Row 2: Sandie Morton, treasurer; Mrs. Betty Burke, sponsor. Not shown: Denise Schoonover, student council.

Librarians, Row 1: M. Shaw, J. Groff, C. Walker, S. Morton, C. McCall. Row 2: K. Schultz, Mrs. Burke, J. Chapple, M. Mulvania, C. Armstrong, K. Hendrickson, S. Daugherty, C. Peeler. Row 3: Mr. Roberts, K. Phillips, S. Freeman, V. Herron, M. Lytle, M. Heits, S. Steele.

Foreign Language Club, Row 1: S. Daughtery, J. Stoner, P. Peck, S. Smyth, C. Squires, S. Steele. Row 2: Mrs. Greiner, M. Heits, M. Shaw, A. Duntz, T. Minderman, J. Swofford, S. Gebhards, L. Wharton, M. Lytle, L. Corken, K. Scamman. Row 3: M. Burg, V. Schramm, L. Phelps.

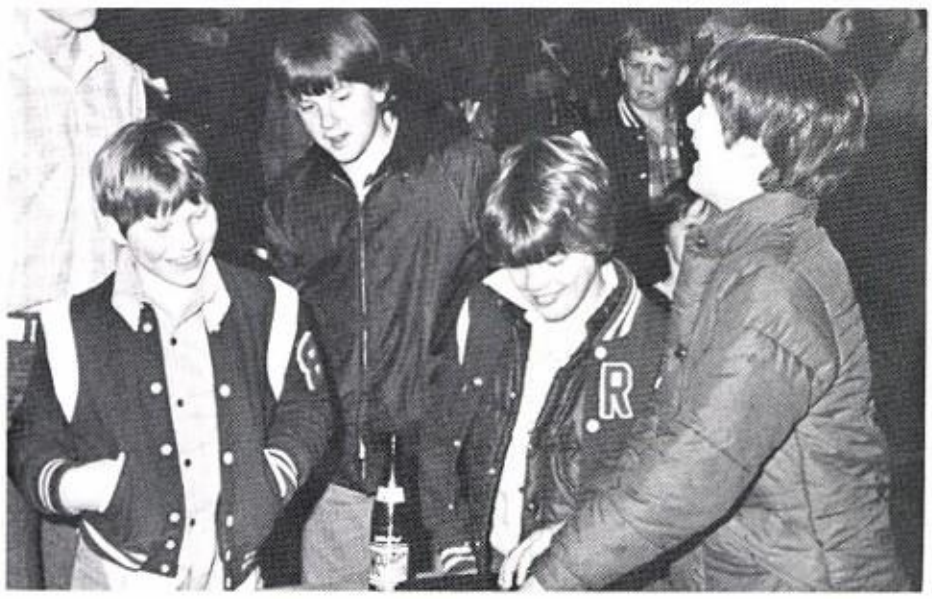
# Foreign Languages Unite

The French and Spanish Clubs combined this year to form the Foreign Language Club. Our major event for the fall semester was a Spanish supper prepared, served and enjoyed by the club members in the Home Ec. room. The club celebrated Christmas in traditional Spanish style with a pinata party.

Spring activities centered around the French custom of Mardi Gras, on March 10 with an evening of games, food, and entertainment for the entire school. The club plans a spring trip in May to Omaha to enjoy "cuisine francaise" (French cooking) at the Golden Apple restaurant.

The officers were Row 1: Marissa Heits, president; Paula Peck, vice-president and chairman of Mardi Gras; Lisa Wharton, secretary; Mrs. Greiner, sponsor. Row 2: Lisa Phelps, historian; Amy Duntz, student council; Sharmon Steele, treasurer; Mary Shaw, Mardi Gras co-chairman.

Sponge Throw Booth at Mardi Gras.



# Math and Science Combine Their Fun

The Math Club and Science Club combined this year to form one club. They sponsored a sponge throw booth at Mardi Gras, and had a Halloween party. The officers were: Nathan Schaffner, vice-president; Mr. Moore, sponsor; Jo Birmingham, secretary-treasurer; Mr. Radtke, sponsor; Marissa Heits, president; Lisa Wharton, student council.

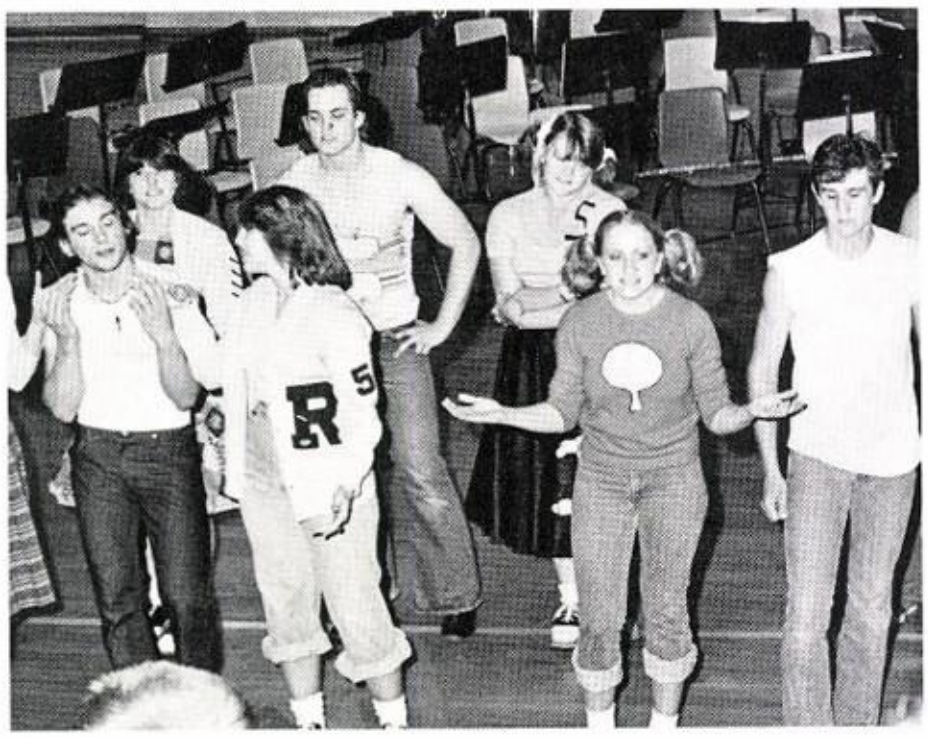
Math and Science Club, Row 1: M. Sybert, Jo Birmingham, M. Mulvania, J. Chapple, C. McCall, S. Steele, C. Kerr, M. Heits, D. Schierkolk, L. Kennell, N. Schaffner. Row 2: J. Swofford, J. Morrison, M. Smith, L. Wharton, K. Phillips, S. Freeman, J. Stoner, C. Peeler. Row 3: Mr. Moore, C. Chamberlain, M. Stoner, Mr. Radtke, L. Corken, S. Gebhards, B. Laverentz, G. Soske.

Chorus, Row 1: C. Armstrong, J. Mobley, D. Savala, M. Bogenreif, D. Schoonover, C. Walker, M. Lytle, J. Groff, C. McCall, S. Easley, L. Phelps, D. Pankau. Row 2: V. Herron, K. Kroll, D. Pfeil, S. Daugherty, M. Roberts, B. Gilpin, S. Kennell, C. Edmonds, M. Burg, M. Jimenez, J. Knierim, B. Brusha. Row 3: C. Squires, S. Thompson, J. Allee, J. Morrison, T. Rosenbohm, R. Moore, L. Shue, S. Schoonover, M. Loader, S. Nielsen, D. Ellison. Not Pictured M. Stoner, L. Kennell, D. Schierkolk, C. Mather, T. Gibson, Y. Jimenez, W. Laverentz, P. Mobley, P. O'Barsky, L. Shue, P. Peck, and T. Salfrank.

# Sing Along

Swing Choir competed in the annual Swing Choir Clinic at Northwest Missouri State University in January, and brought home the first place trophy in the small school division. Pictured bottom right are the members, Row 1: J. Mobley, C. Armstrong, M. Bogenreif, Mrs. Hunter, M. Lytle, J. Groff, and B. Gilpin. Row 2: P. Peck, C. Walker, S. Thompson, B. Perry, V. Herron, S. Kennell. Row 3: C. Mather, T. Salfrank, M. Stoner, D. Schierkolk, and L. Kennell.

The mixed chorus, directed by Mrs. Lynn Hunter, attended District Music Contest in Maryville and received a 2 rating. The chorus also performed at the Winter and Spring Pops concert.



Swing Choir relives the 50's.

If Ted could see us now!

Drum Majorette Jana Stoner.

Drum Majorette Bev Gilpin.

The Blue Jay Marching Band.

# Keeping in Step

The Blue Jay Band had a tremendous marching season in '78, performing at all home games and receiving the first place trophy at the Holt County Festival and Missouri Western Homecoming. They also received second place trophies at Maryville and Clarinda, IA. The performances in competition resulted in an invitation to apply for the Cherry Blossom Parade in Washington D.C. The Twirlers were, bottom left: Julie Chapple (Head), Laura Corken, Cindy Walker, and Julie Mobley. The Flag Corps members were, top right: Becky Fisher, Bernadine Ingram, Sandy Morton, Dannye Underwood, Helena Basham, Mianne Underwood, Jo Bermingham, and Monica Cooper.

Concert Band, Row 1: J. Chapple, J. Mobley, J. Scamman. J. Martin, B. Cooper, M. Bogenreif, M. Underwood, M. Smith, L. Corken and J. Stoner. Row 2: J. Swofford, C. Squires, D. Lynn, S. Lann, W. Tudor, M. Mullins, L. Erdman, D. Underwood, S. Thompson, B. Haynes, B. Groff, A. Duntz, L. Wharton, and S. Gebhards. Row 3: D. Schoonover, B. Ingram, B. Gilpin, M. Cooper, B. Fischer, P. Squires, M. Heits, J. Squires, S. Morton, K. Gilbertson, C. Johnson, K. Scamman, B. Burke, and M. Wilczek. Row 4: T. Schomburg, N. Schaffner, S. Schoonover, S. Minter, B. Brusha, J. Ingram, J. Hollister, P. Mobley, D. Hudson, E. Easley, J. Jochim, and S. Tudor. Row 5: S. Bennington, R. Burke, M. Lytle, J. Knierim, J. Sybert, K. Oswald, S. Deatz, K. Hurst and Mr. Greiner. Not shown: S. Steele, G. Soske, M. Mulvania, T. Salfrank, D. Schierkolk, P. Peck, L. Kennell, C. Mather, J. Bermingham, S. Kennell, D. Lane, and Kelly Salfrank.

# Concert Band Performs

The Concert Band started off with the County Mass Band Day, which was held at Rock Port, followed by a winter concert. The band participated in District Music Contest, receiving a II rating. They also presented a Spring Pops Concert in May and held a pie stand at Mardi Gras. At right: Getting ready for band. Below left: Jazz Band performs at Spring Pops Concert.

Spring Pops Concert

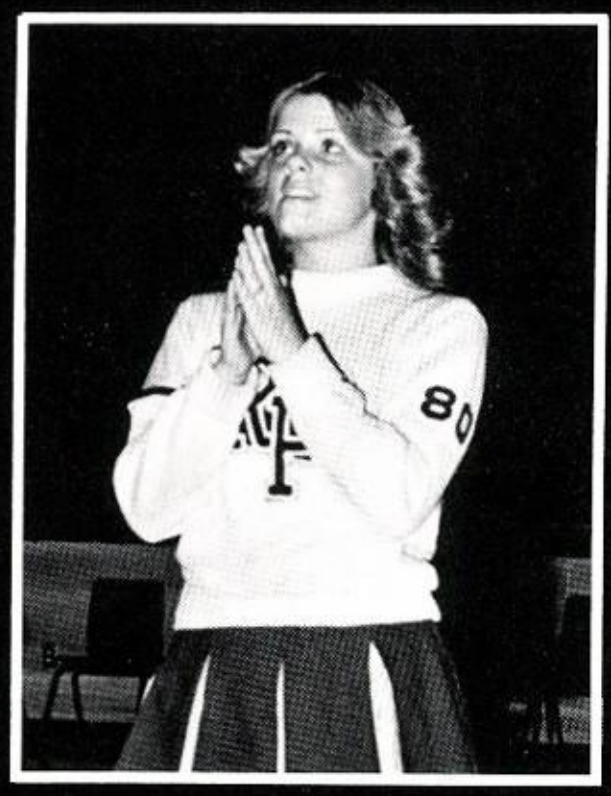
# Trip to D.C.

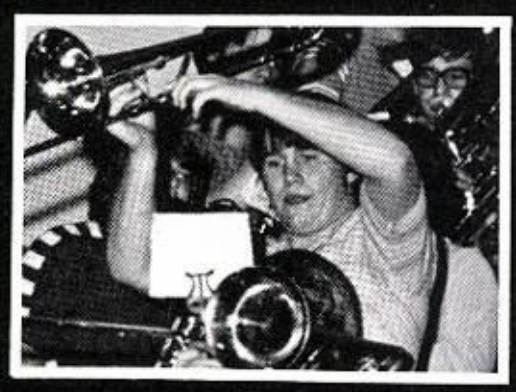
On January 1, the Rock Port Blue Jay Marching Band received notification that our band had been accepted to perform in the concert competition of the National Cherry Blossom Festival and Parade in Washington, D.C. The Cherry Blossom Festival is the best, most prestigious marching and music festival in the United States today. The band performed in Constitution Hall, which is renowned for its physical beauty and acoustics, on April 6. The band toured many points of interest in Washington, D. C. and the surrounding area. With the Rock Port communities help, the band raised enough money for the big trip. At left: Loading up for the big trip. Below right: Weary travelers arrive home.

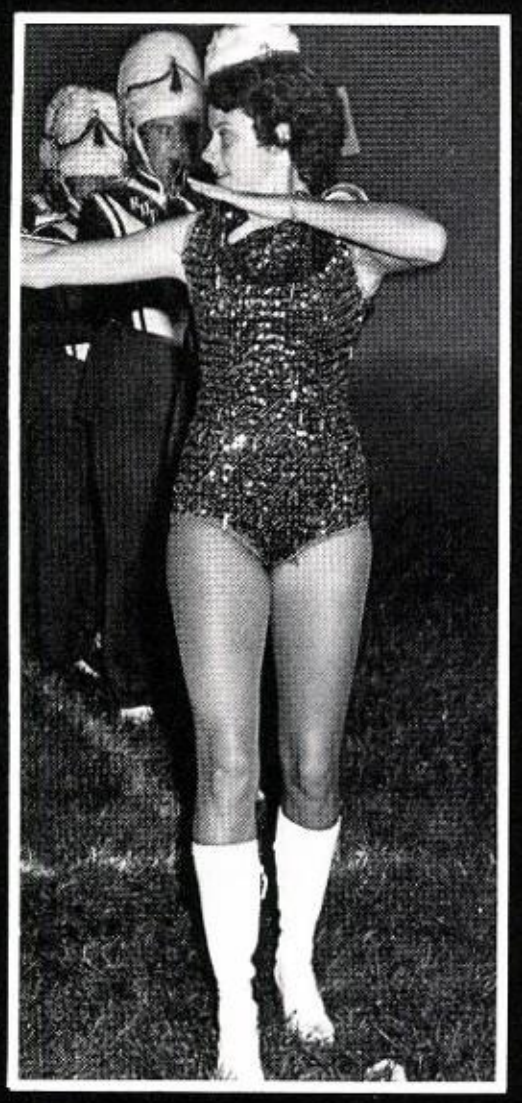
Bus ride to D. C.

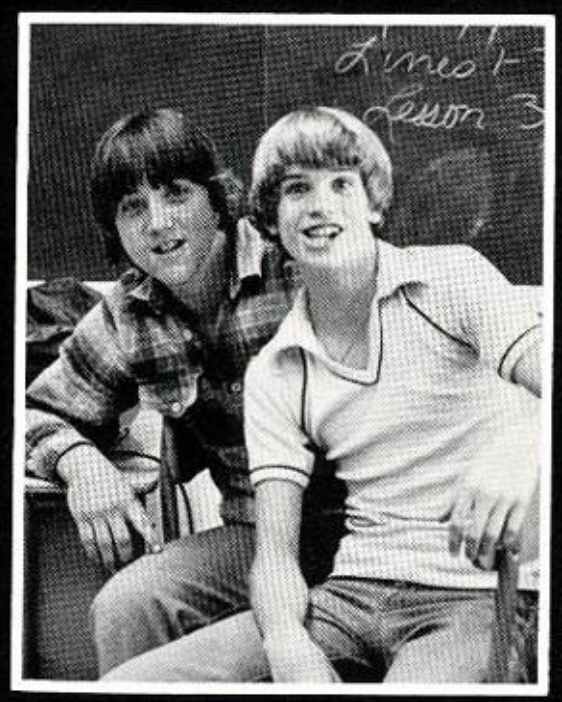
Students observe Space Museum.

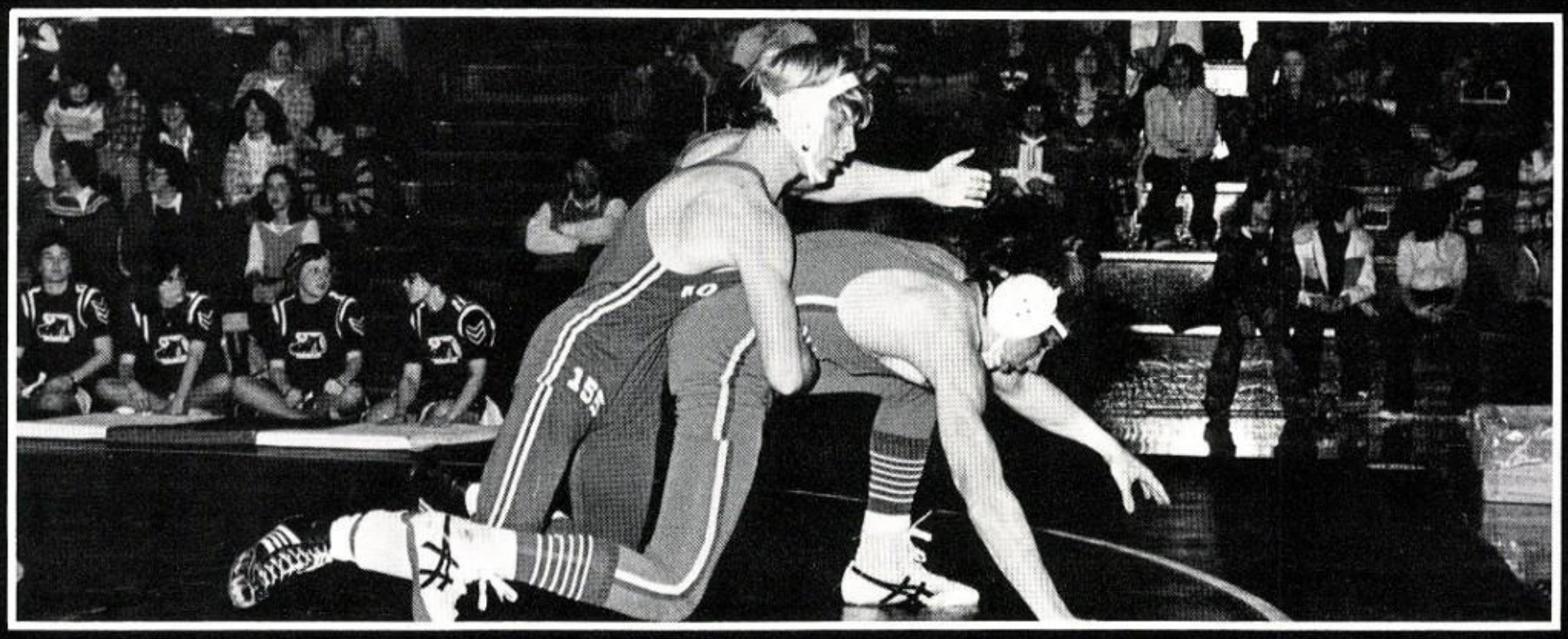
Finally home.

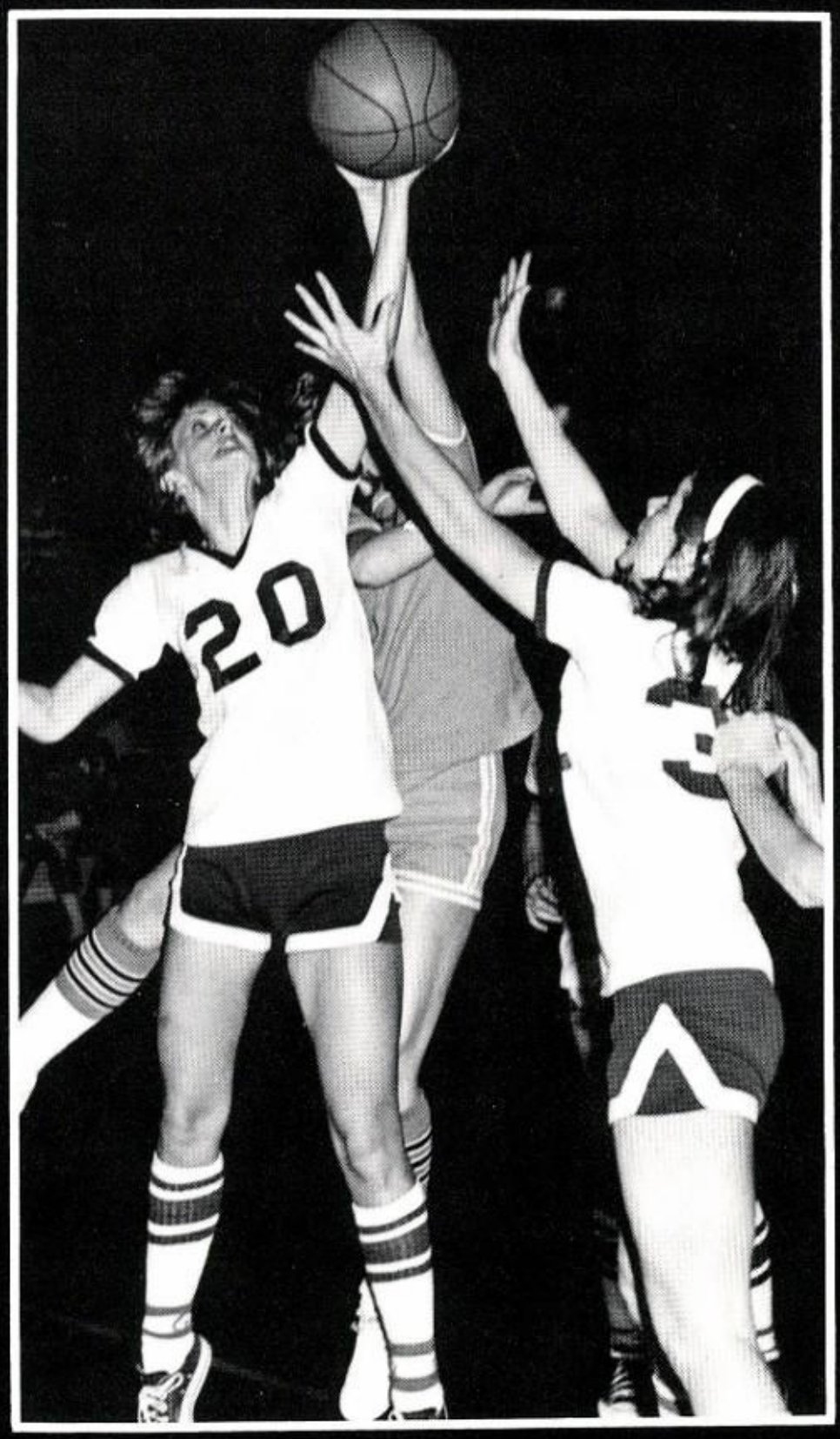






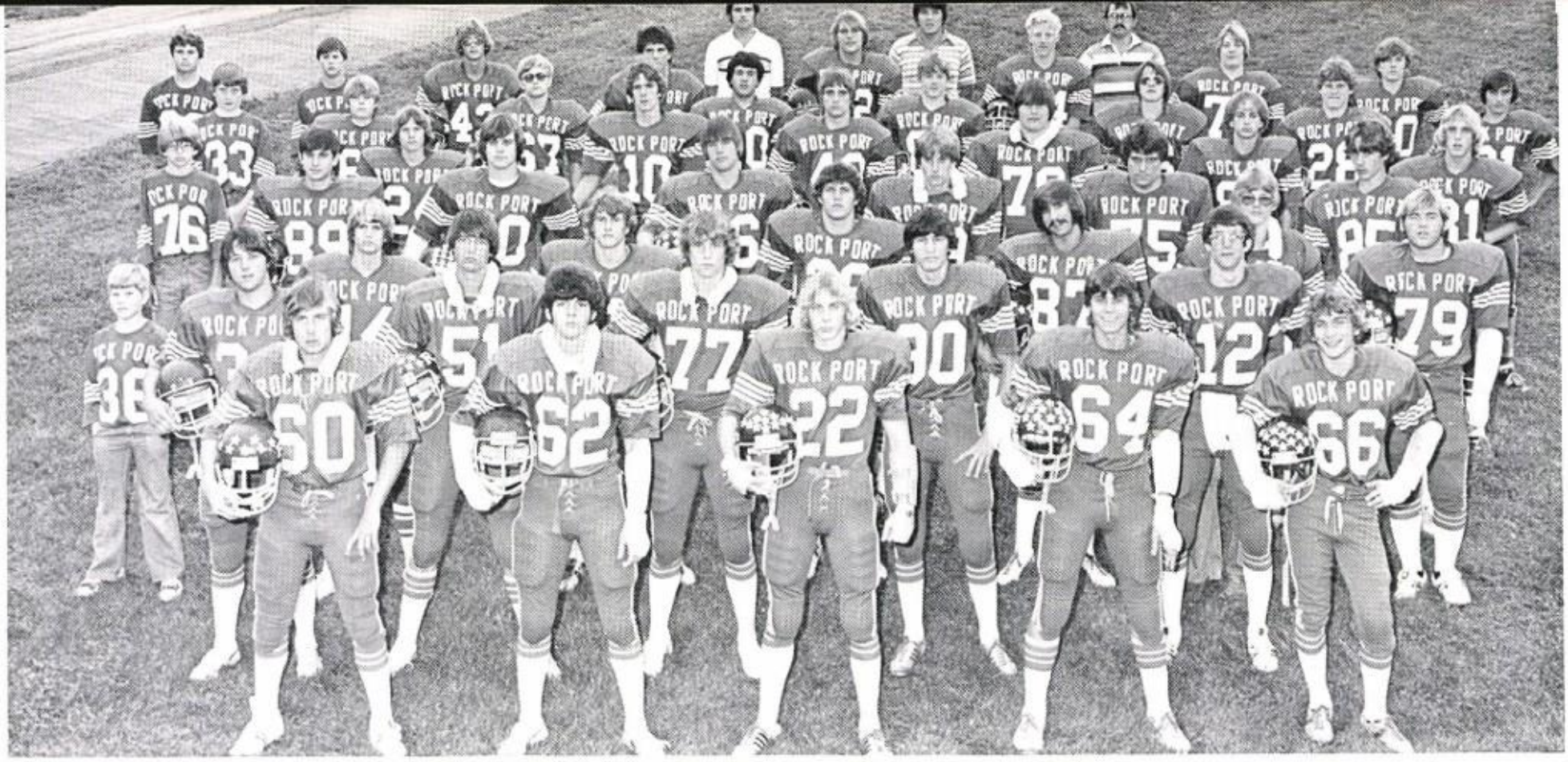







# Sports

*To hit the mark, you must aim a little above it.*



Football Team, Row 1: G. Garst, G. McCall, R. Clark, M. Walker, J. Knierim. Row 2: J. Ellison, K. Sutter, S. Mulvania, B. Laverentz, G. Soske, Row 3: D. Burke, M. Wilczek, C. Chamberlain, B. Alloway, A. Jackson, T. Schomburg, L. Kennell. Row 4: M. Thomas, C. Mather, M. Stoner, J. Garst, D. Schierkolk, M. Leisman, L. Shue, Row 5: M. Nielsen, D. McMahon, M. Leisman, Z. Fisher, P. Sheldon, B. Clark. Row 6: B. Million, A. Rosenbohm, J. Schlup, K. Oswald, C. Ellison, S. Minter, S. Howell, J. Watson. Row 7: J. Hollister, D. Lane, S. Bennington, E. Mulvania, J. Jochim, K. Hurst, D. Lade, G. Kroll, Row 8: Coach Moore, Coach Rader, Coach Finke.

Coaching Staff and Student Managers.

# 275 Conf. Champs 8-0

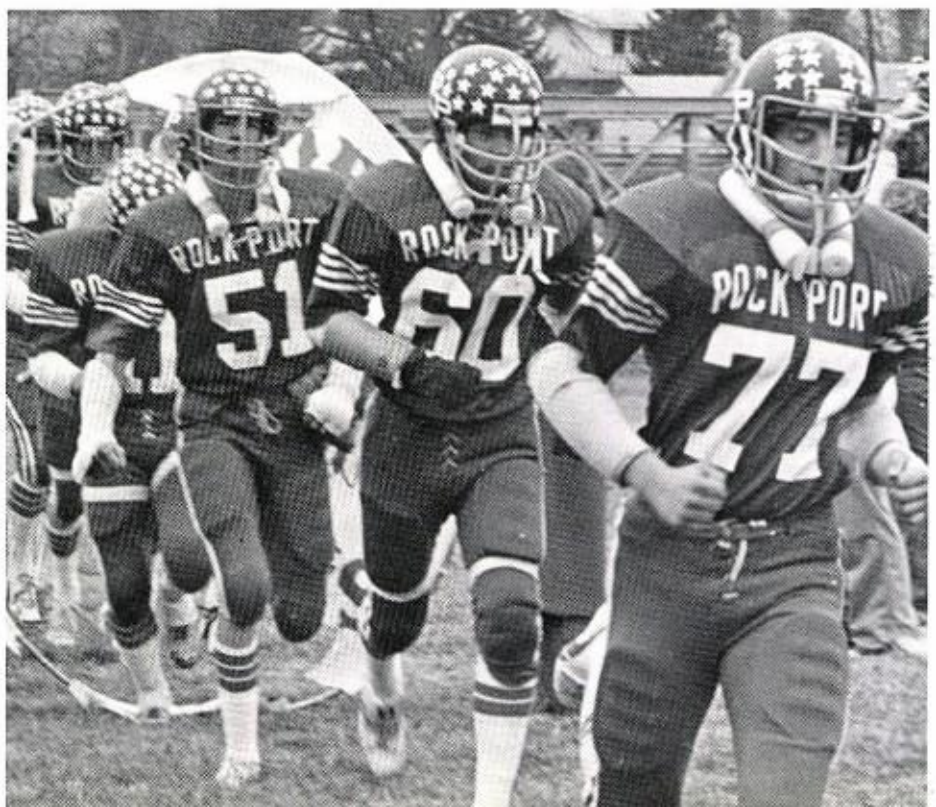
The 1978 Blue Jay football team had an exciting and highly successful season, going undefeated in the regular season winning the 275 Conference Championship, and playing in the Quarterfinals of the Missouri State Play-Offs.

Highlights of the 8 win and no loss regular season were exciting victories over West Nodaway, Fairfax, and Tarkio.

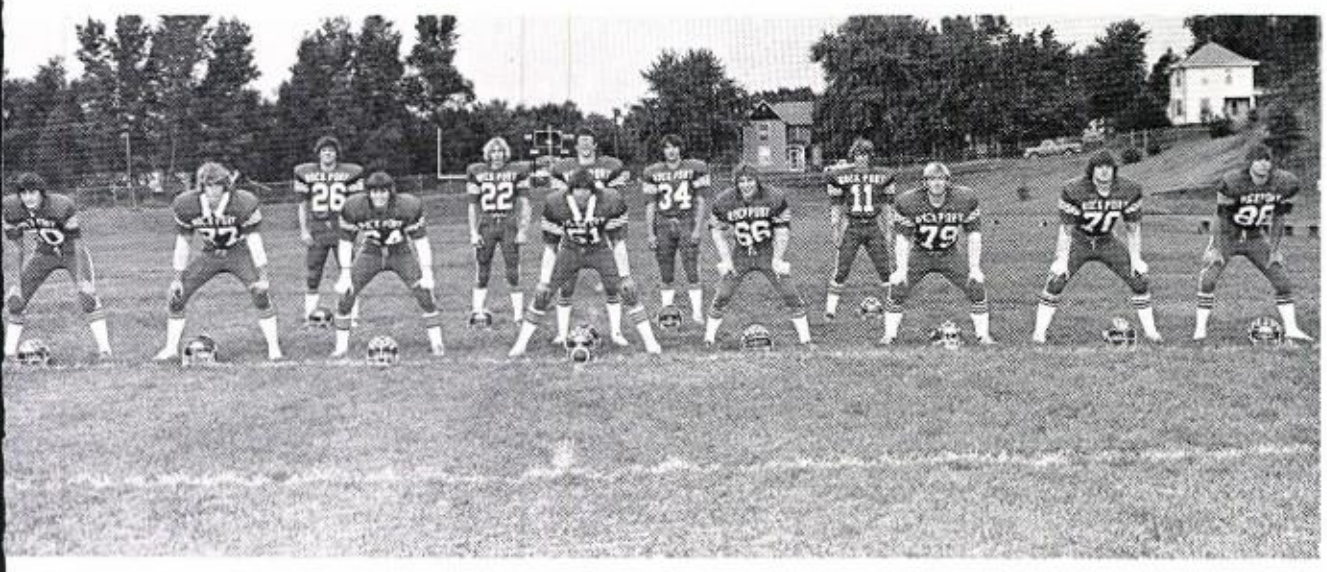
The Blue Jays played the Princeton Tigers in the Quarterfinals of the Missouri State Play-offs. In the hard fought game played at Bluejay Stadium, Rock Port was narrowly defeated 14 to 13. Princeton went on to finish second in Class 1A.

Leading the football team were seniors: Mike Walker, Kevin Sutter, Gary Soske, Shawn Mulvania, Gavin McCall, Bill Laverentz, Jim Knierim, Garry Garst, Jody Ellison and Rod Clark.

Jays charge on.



Mighty Defense.



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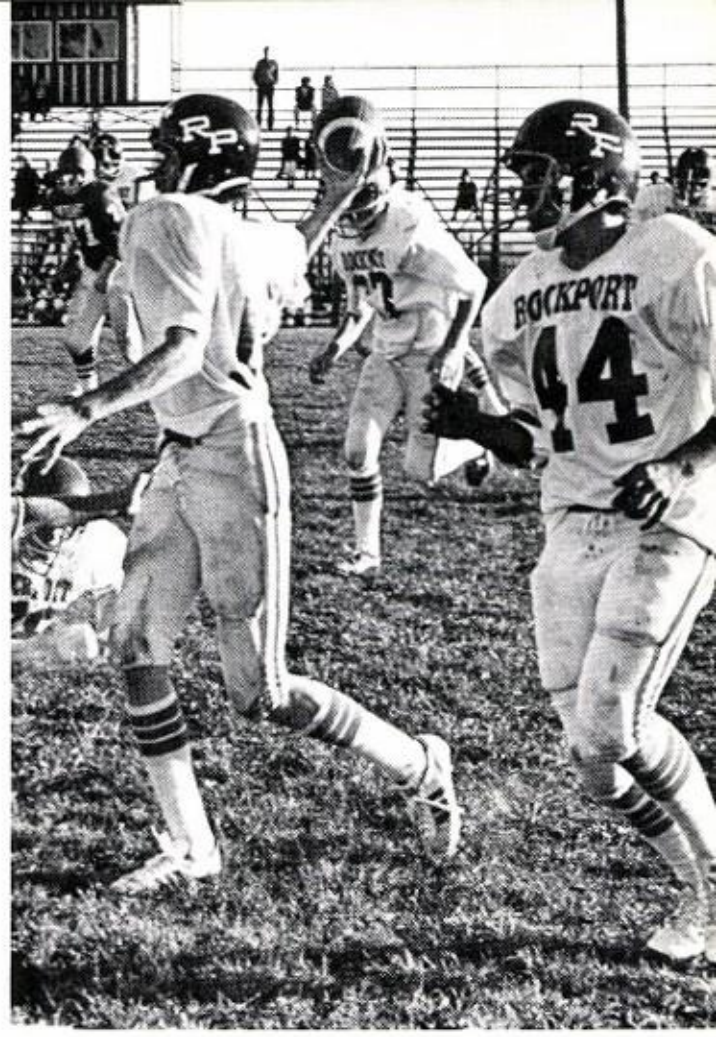
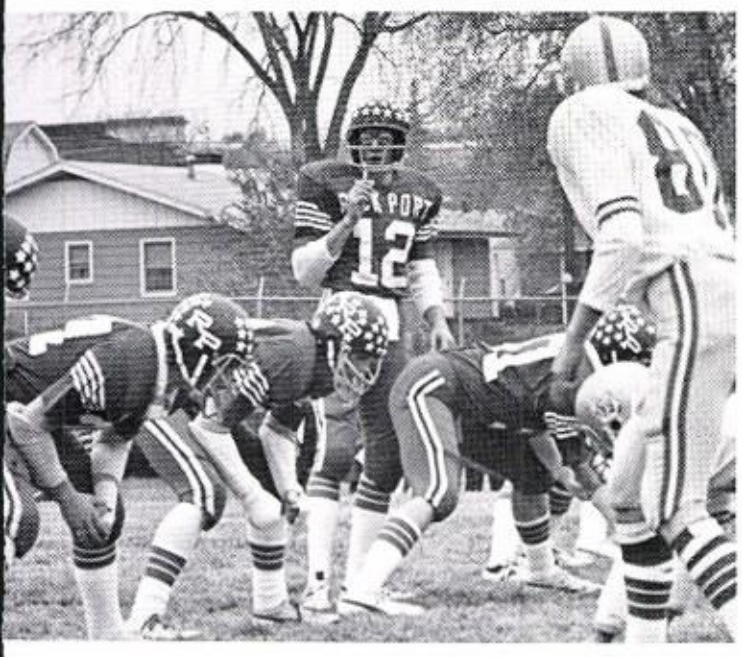


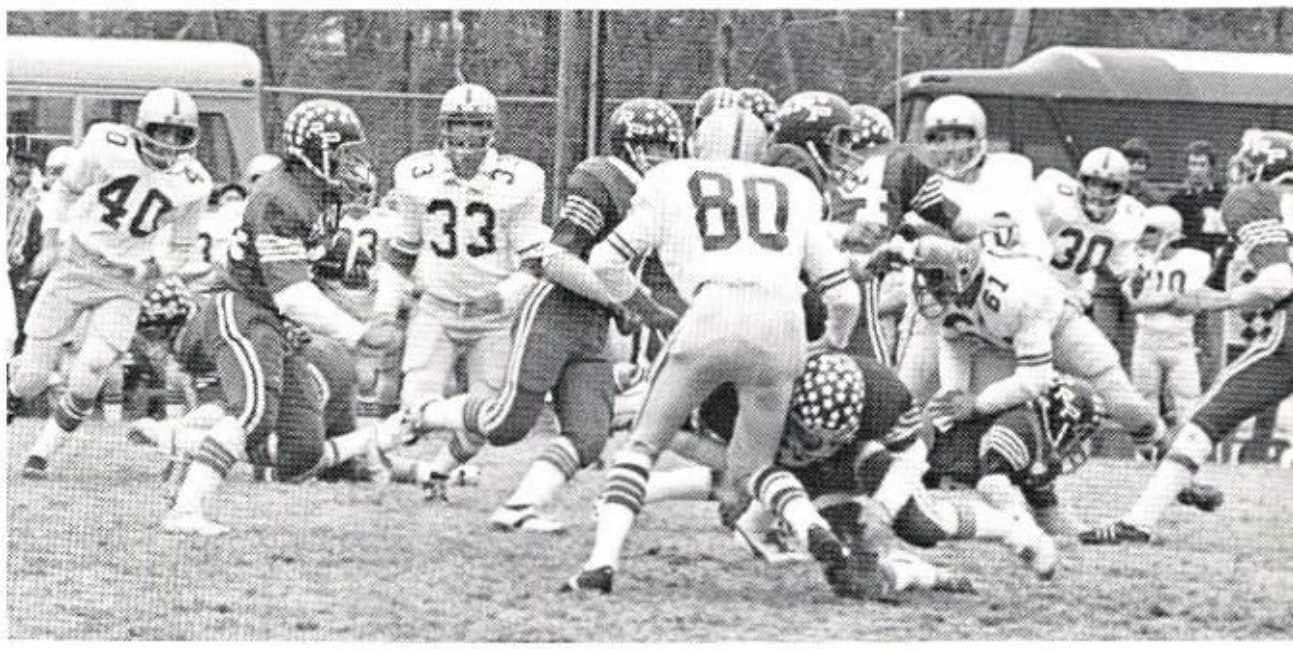
Doug eyes him in.

At left: Jays Offense.

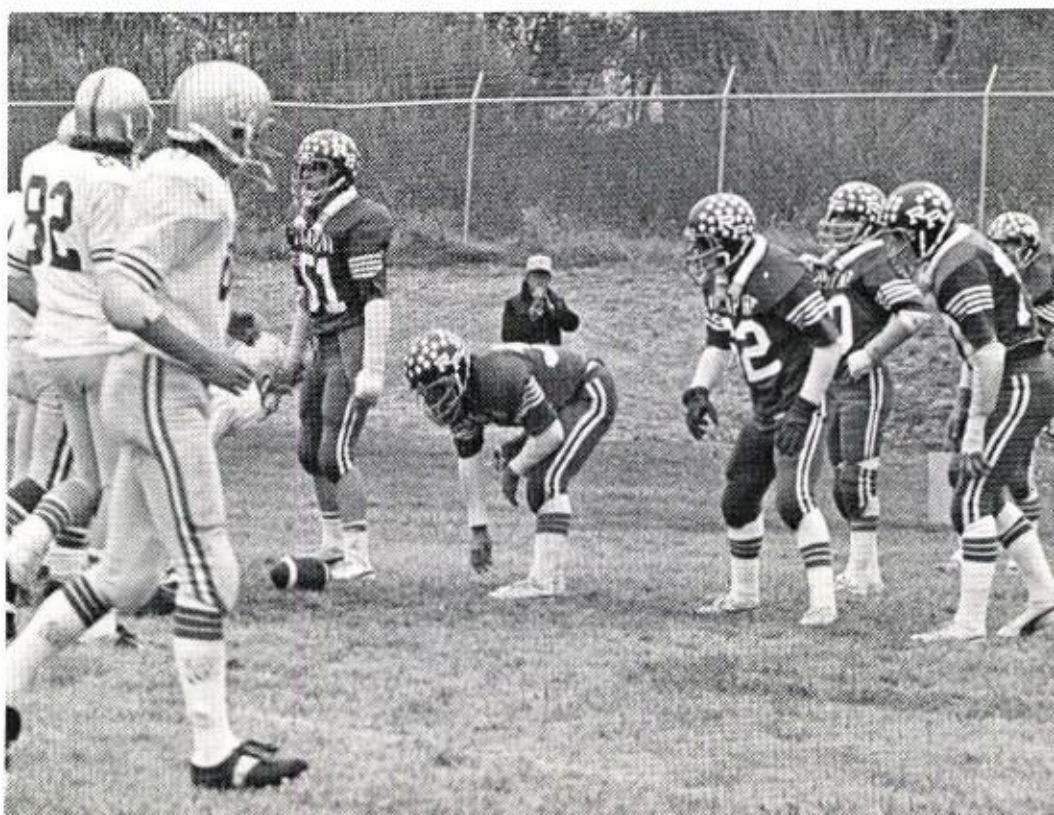


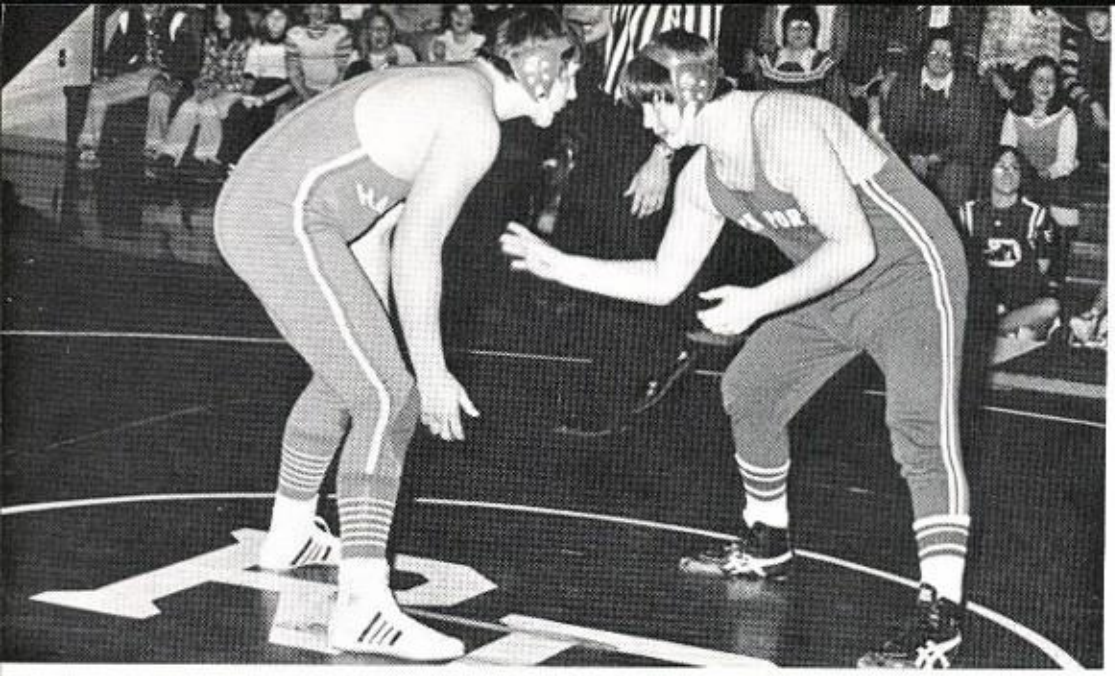
Gary says his prayers.

Jody finds the hole.

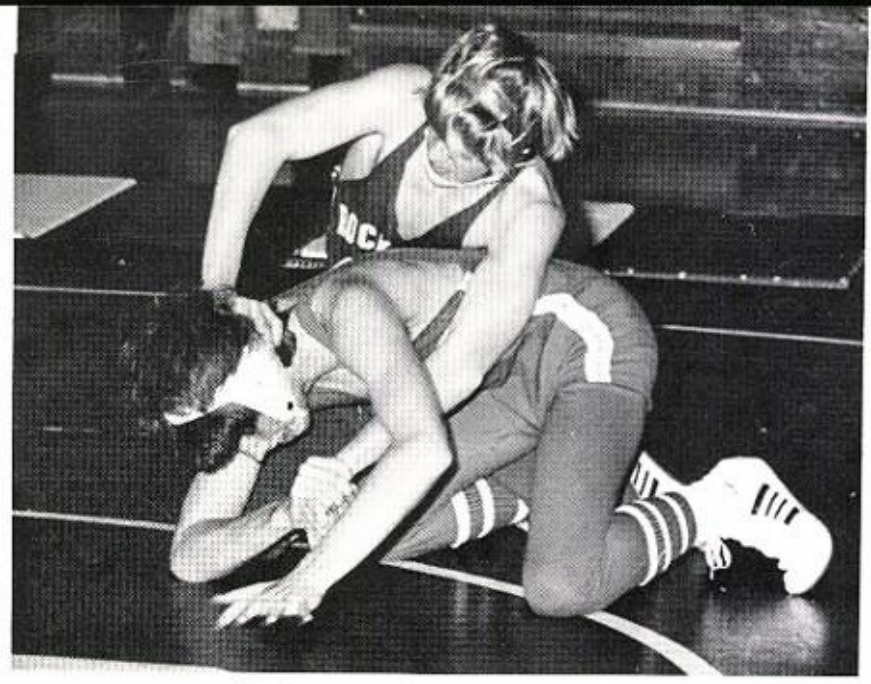


On the goal line.

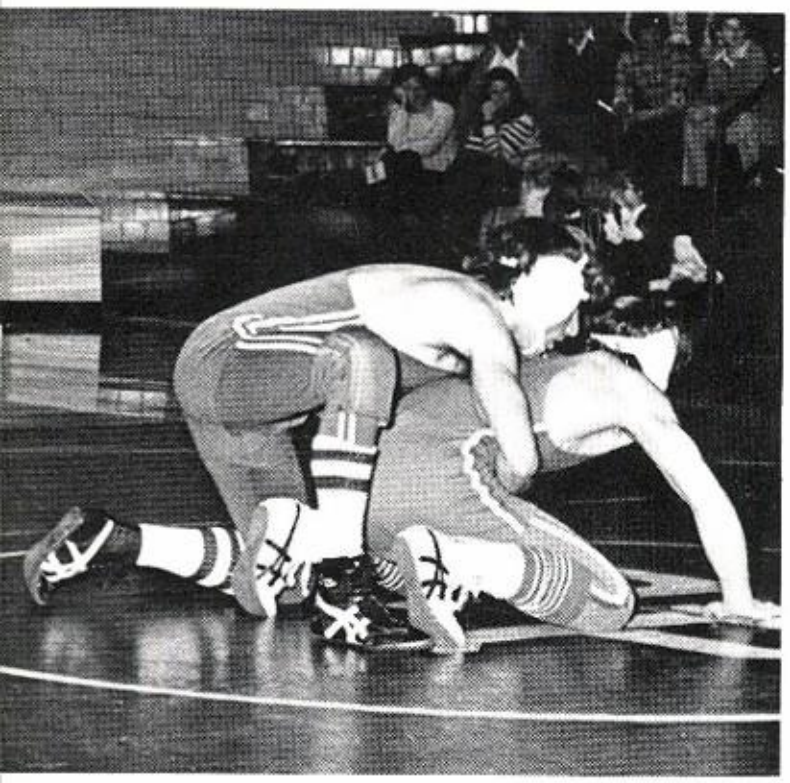




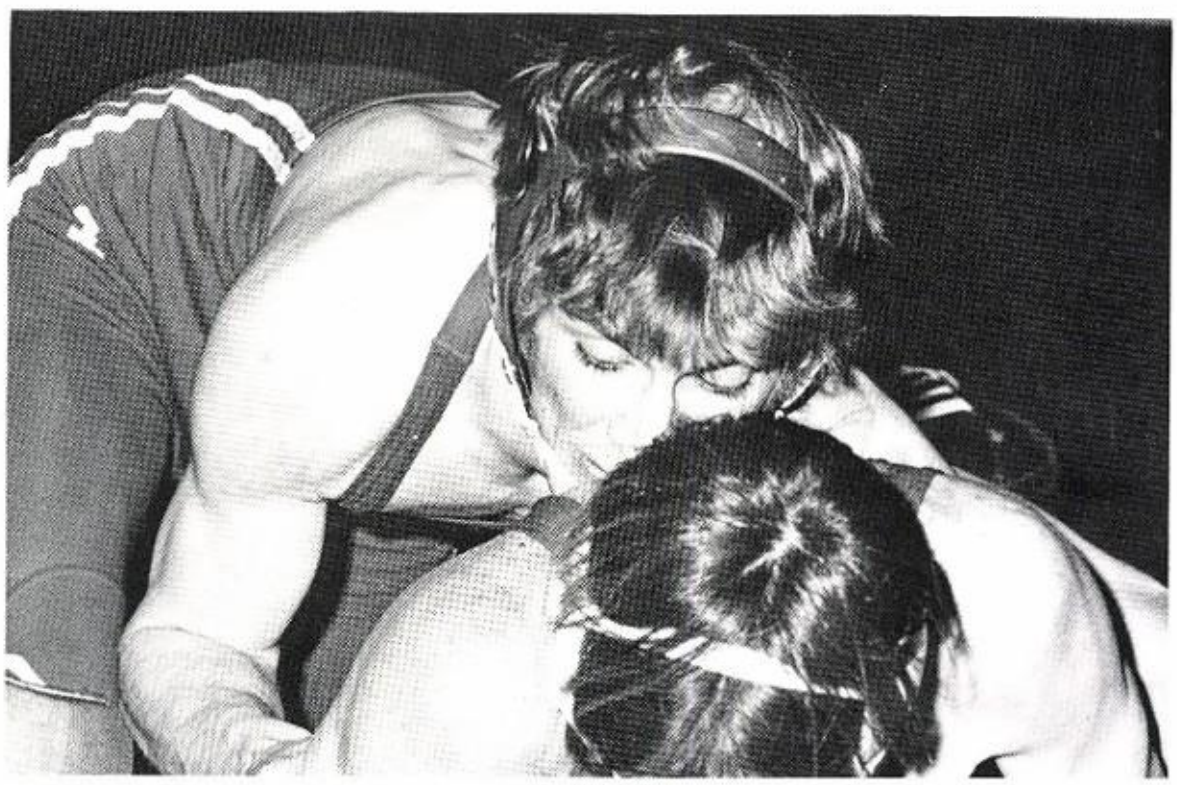
Zel makes the first move.



Bob struggles to get away.



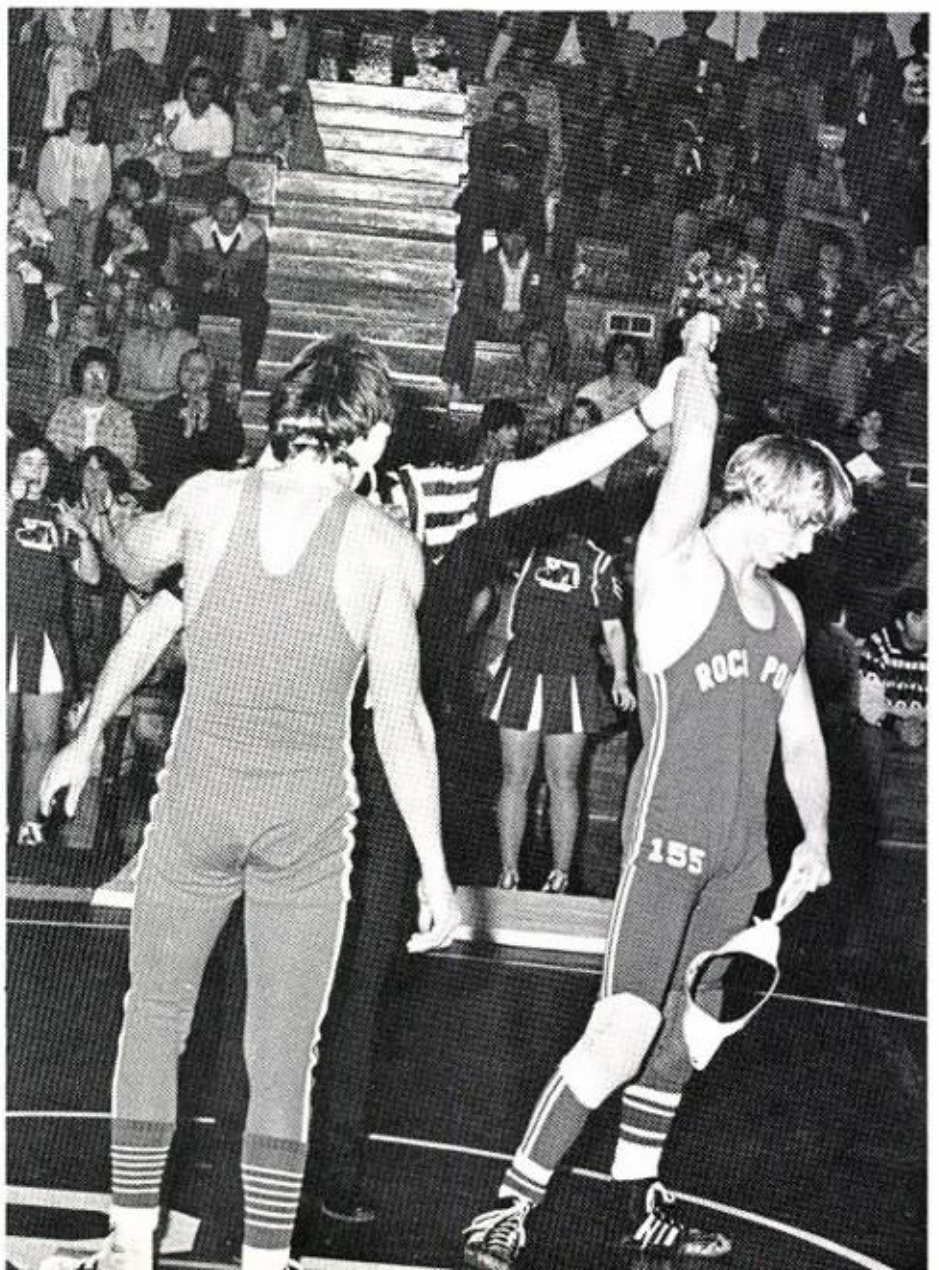
Audie gets the advantage.



Jim assumes the position.

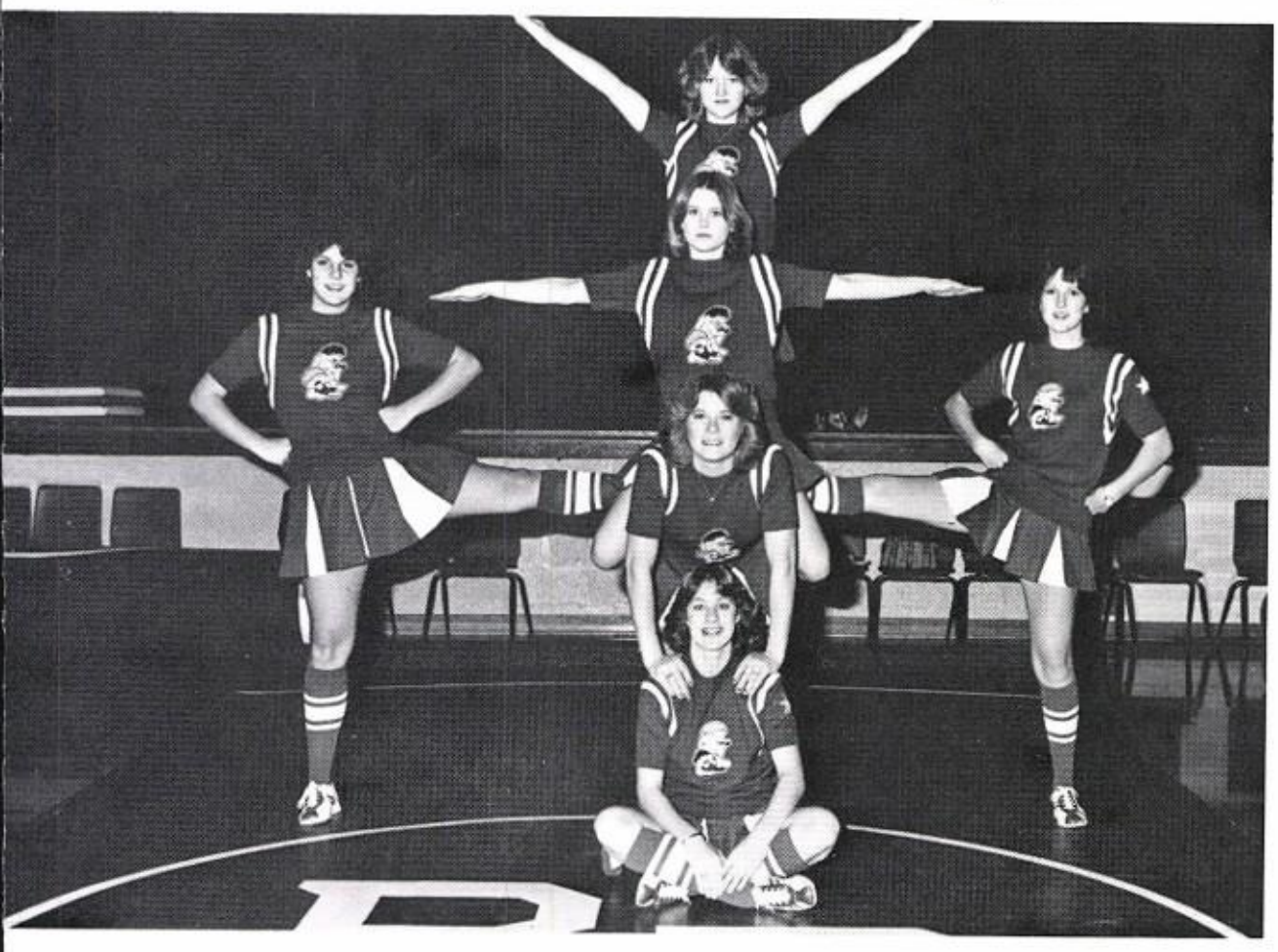
# Wrestlers Grip 7-7 Record

The wrestling team was coached by Mr. Mark Dulgarian. They participated in several tournaments placing first at the Albany Quadrangle, fourth at the South Page Tournament and sixth at the Sabetha Tournament. They finished seventh at District and had four wrestlers Jim Knierim, Larry Kennell, Jim Watson, and Zel Fischer qualified for sub-state. Zel Fischer, sophomore, went on to state. At right: Rodney gets his victory.



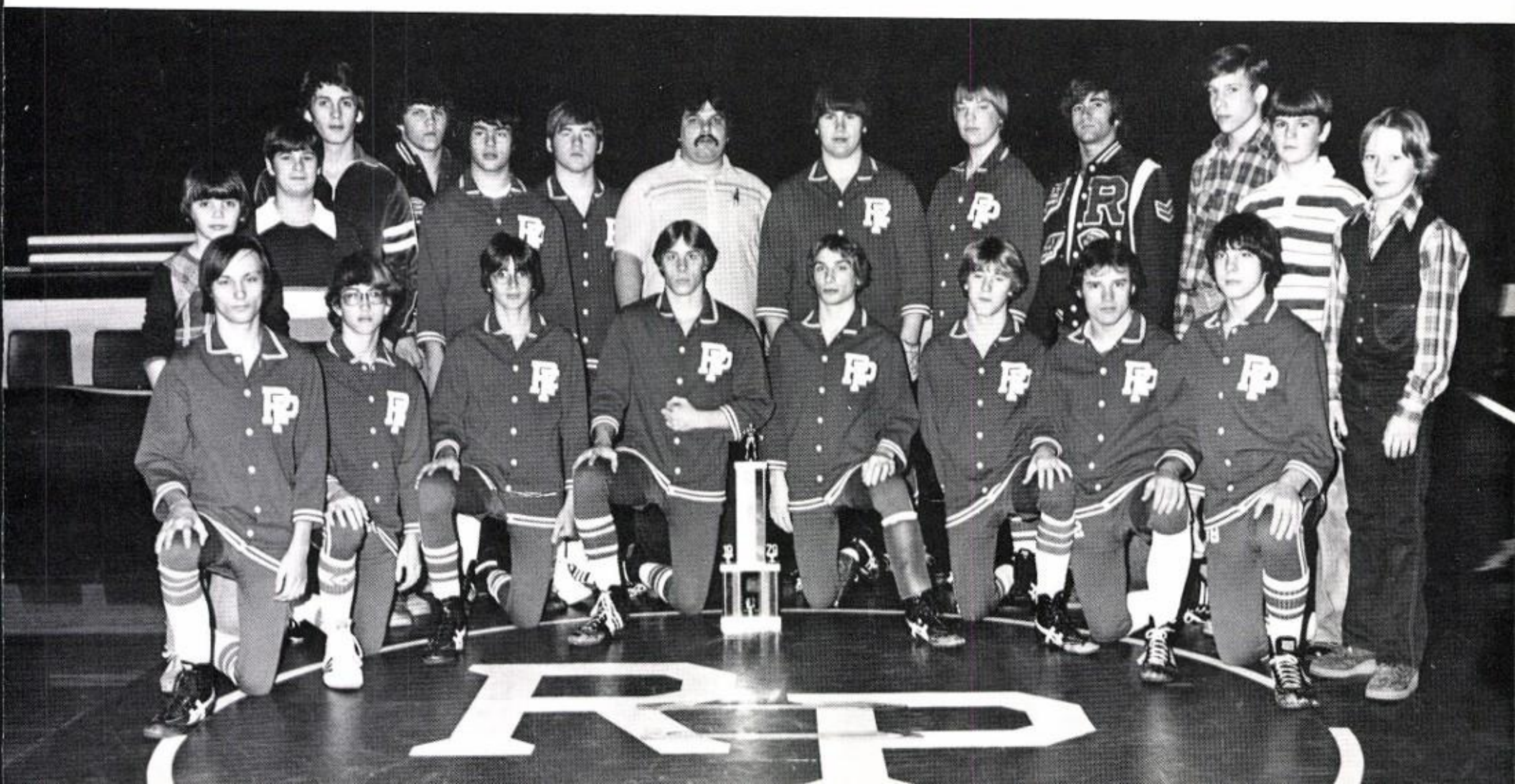
# Wrestlettes Cheer On Wrestlers

Wrestlettes, Row 1: Julia Groff (head). Row 2: Melinda Long, Kim Hendrickson, Maryann Lytle (Head). Row 3: Lisa Nielsen. Row 4: Marlene Haynes.



Lisa and Julia cheer to a victory.

Wrestlers, Row 1: J. Watson, D. Kerr, S. Tudor, R. Clark, J. Knierim, B. Clark, M. Danley, R. Burke. Row 2: Managers—S. Pierce, and M. McMahon, B. Alloway, K. Oswald, L. Kennell, Mr. Dulgarian, Z. Fischer, D. Lade, A. Jackson, Managers—D. Ingram, M. McMahon, and T. Heard.



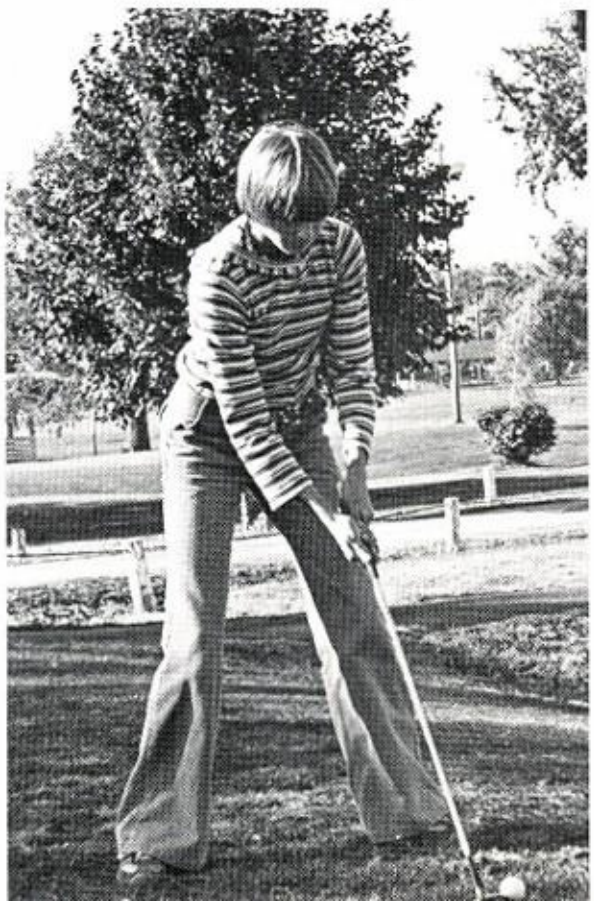
The girls golf team finished their 1978 golf season with great success. The varsity team was undefeated with a record of 8-0, and finished 3rd in districts. The Jr. Varsity was also undefeated with a record of 4-0. Thanks to Coach Vickie Brubaker the girls had a good season.

Girls Golf Team below, Row 1: Laura Corken, Monica Cooper, Denise Schoonover, Cindy Walker, Whitney Tudor, Susan Freeman. Row 2: Sue Ann Schoonover, Kim Scamman, Jill Scamman, Coach Brubaker, Melinda Long, Maria Mullins, Kelly Salfrank.

Laura keeps her distance.

# Swing to Good Season 8-0

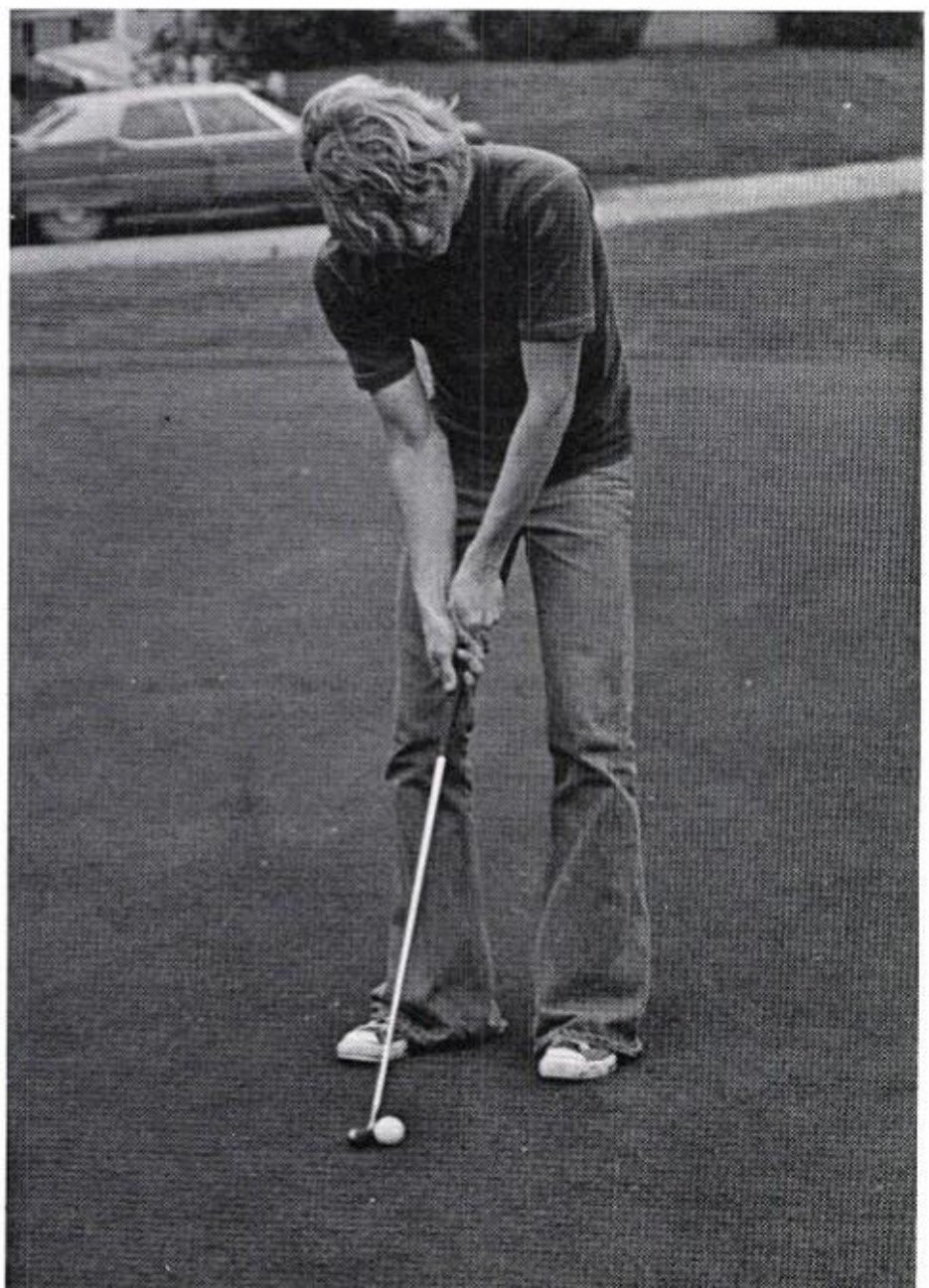
Kim is concentrating hard.



Denise is lining up her shot.

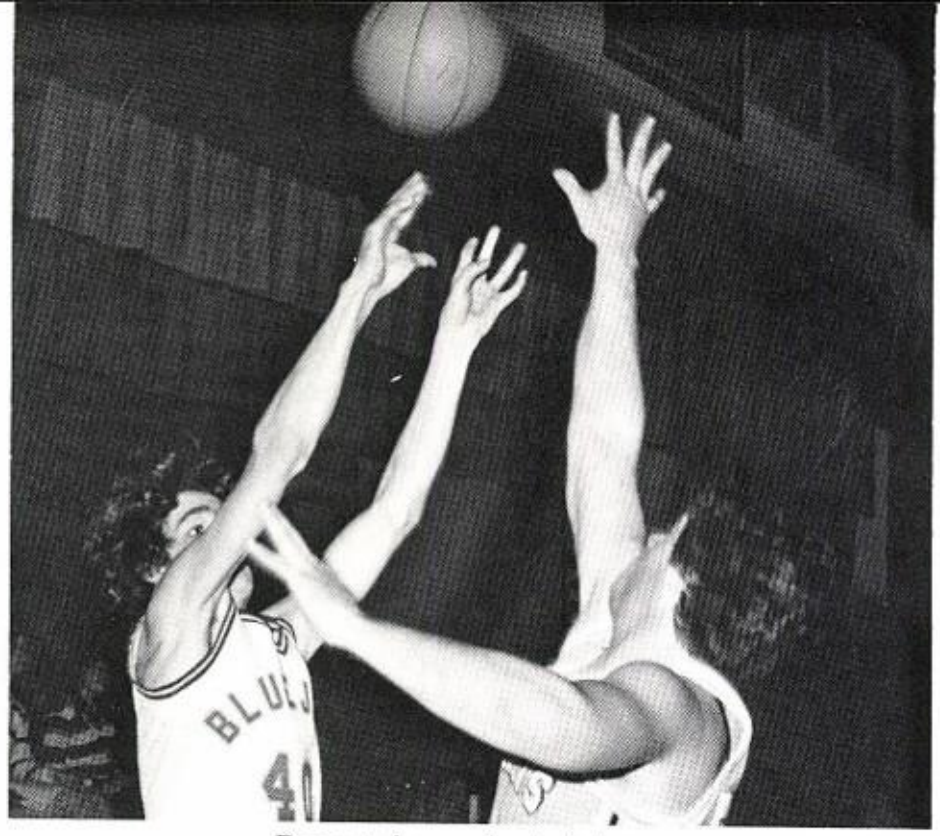
Row 1: Jon Hollister. Row 2: David Lair, Bentley Brown, Shawn Minter, Mr. Hal Turner, coach. Not shown: Todd Salfrank.

# Boy's Golf Team Young and Few In Number



The Boy's golf team, coached by Mr. Hal Turner, had a disappointing season this year. Their team was young and few in numbers with only five boys participating. This was Mr. Turner's first year to coach, pictured at lower right. Lower left: Bentley practices his putting.

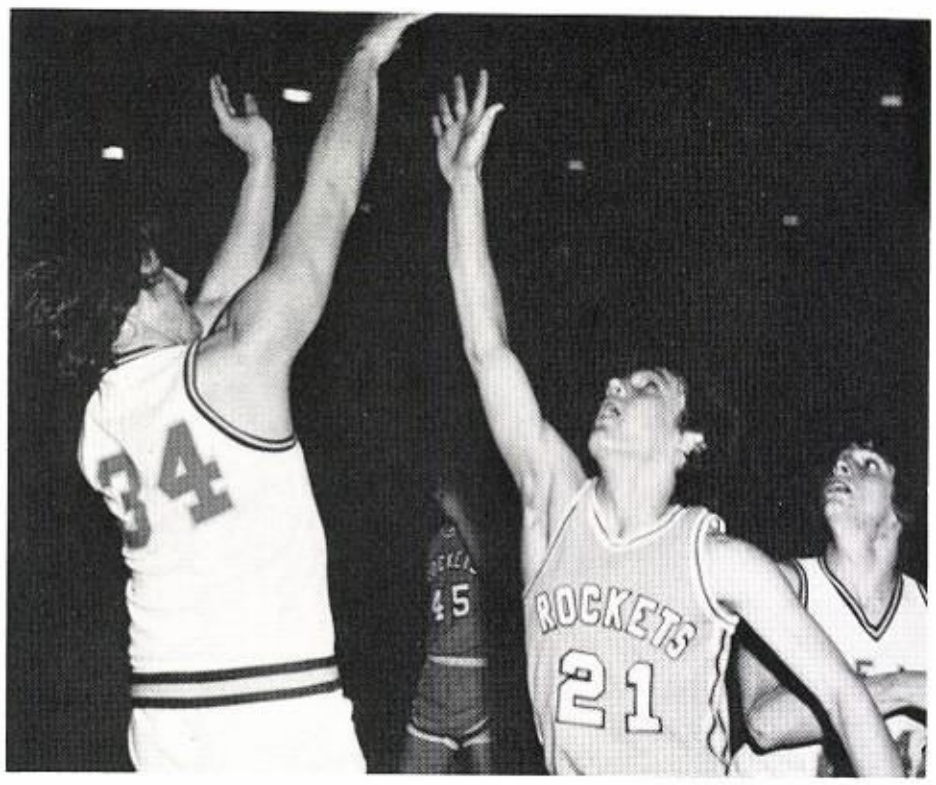
Mark goes for the rebound and misses.



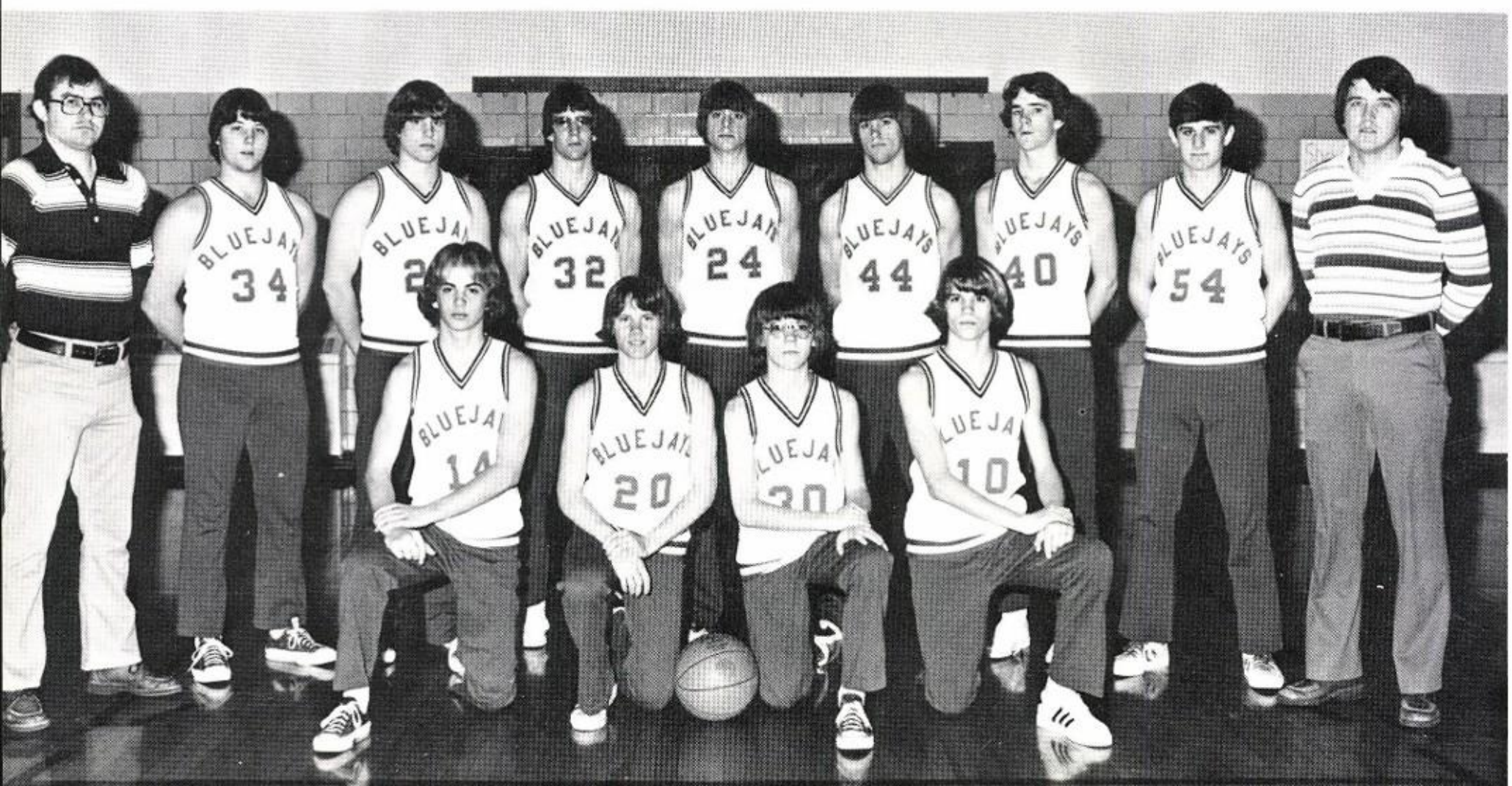
Doug takes a shot at two.

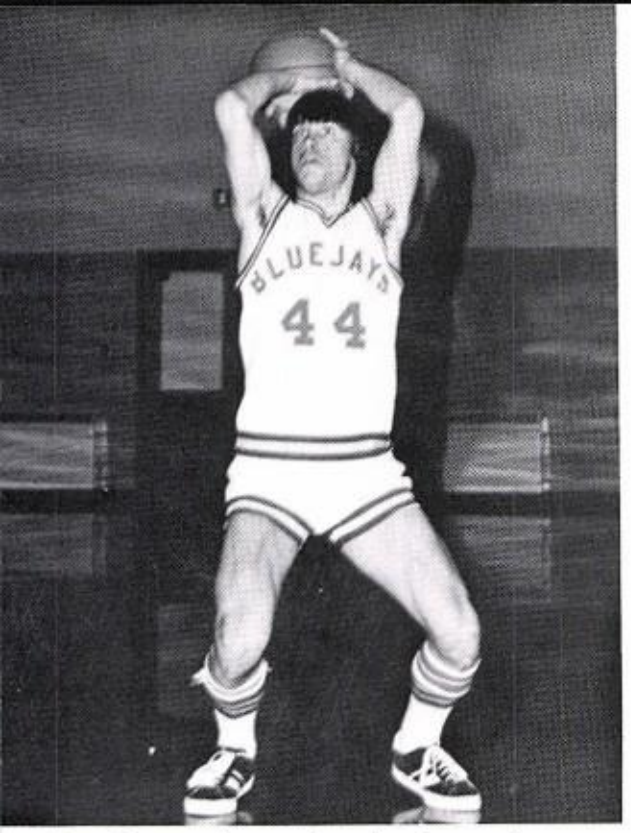
# Disappointing Season 1-15

The Varsity and B-team boys basketball seasons ended on a disappointing note this year, with the Varsity compiling a record of 1-15, and the B-team going 1-11. Head Coach Mike Rader and Assistant Coach Gene Finke did an excellent job coaching, but the team just couldn't quite get it together. The Bluejay basketball players were Row 1: Pat Sheldon, Mike Nielsen, Mike Leseberg, Mark Wilczek. Row 2: Coach Finke, Jody Ellison, Shawn Mulvania, Gary Soske, Mark Leisman, Jim Garst, Doug McMahon, Curt Mather, Coach Rader. Not shown: Chris Chamberlain.

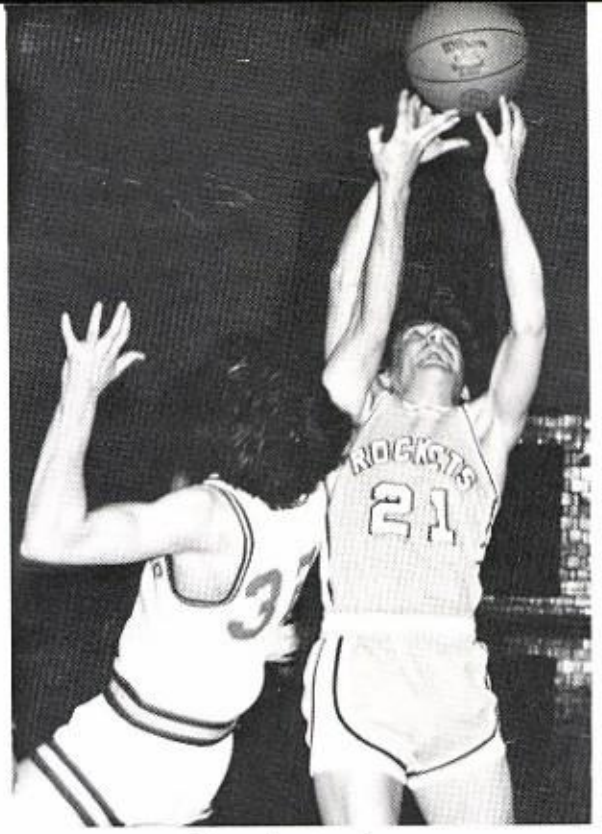


Jody tries for two.

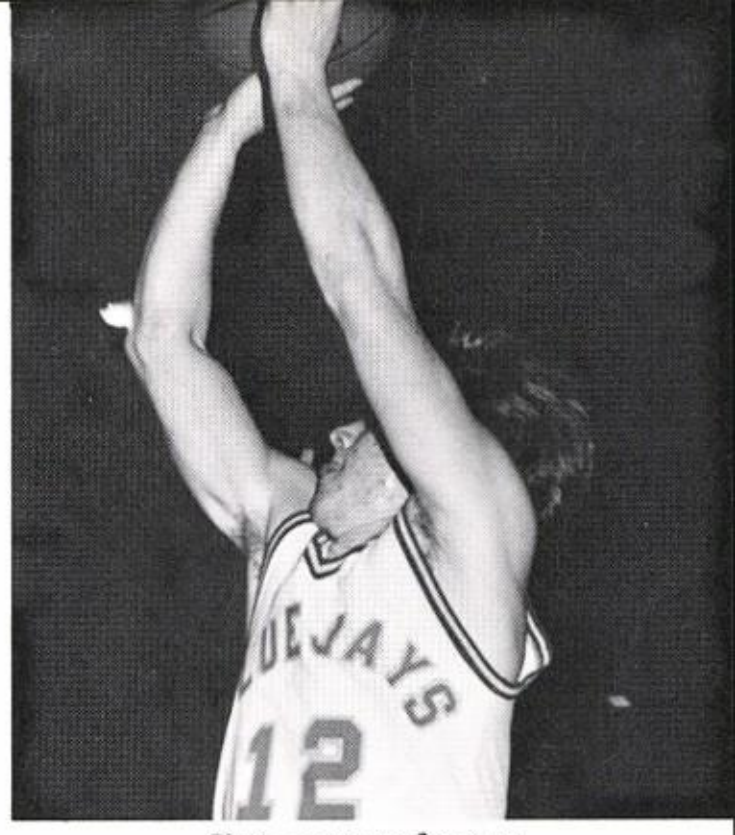




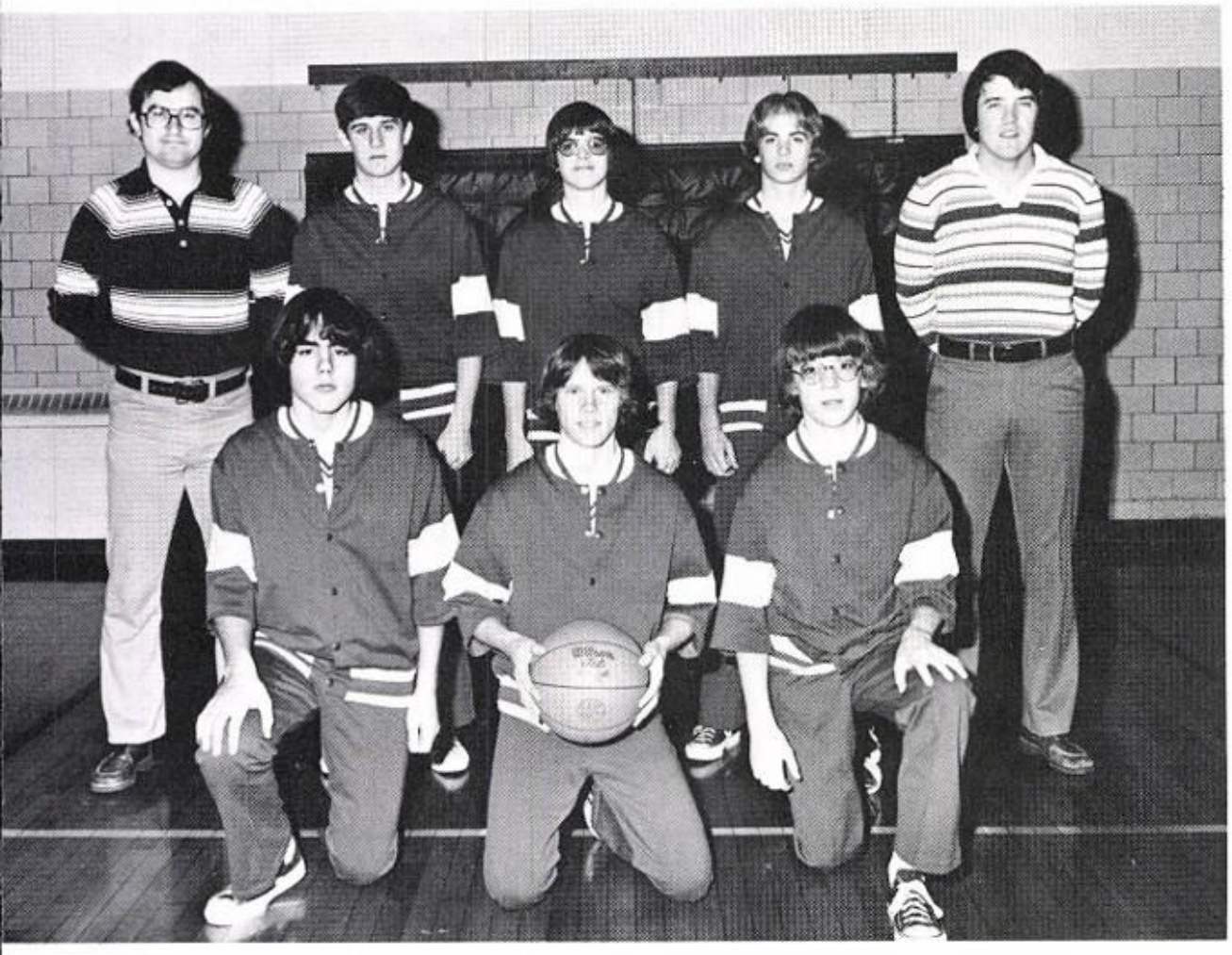

Jim shoots from the charity stripe.




Gary just misses.



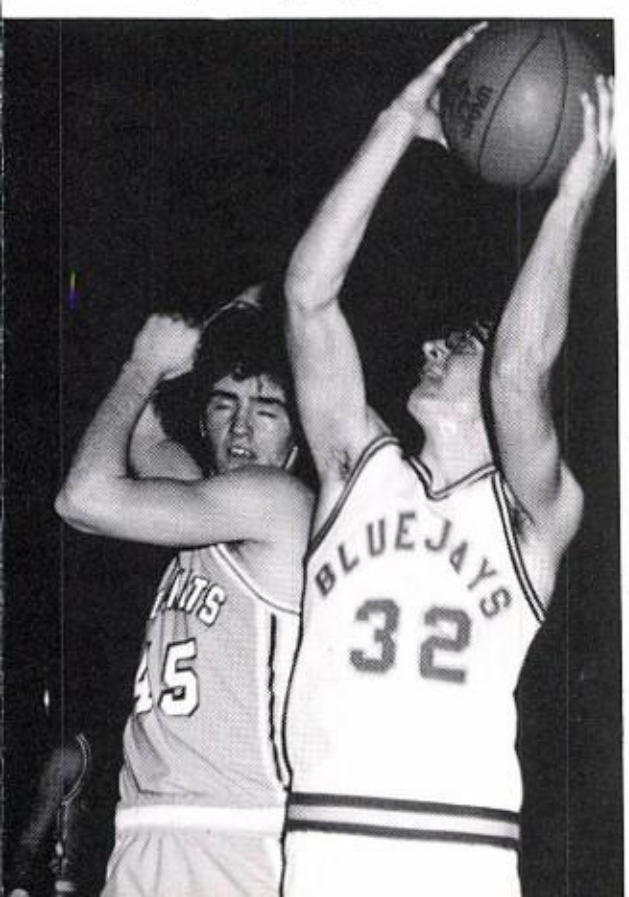

Chris goes up for two.



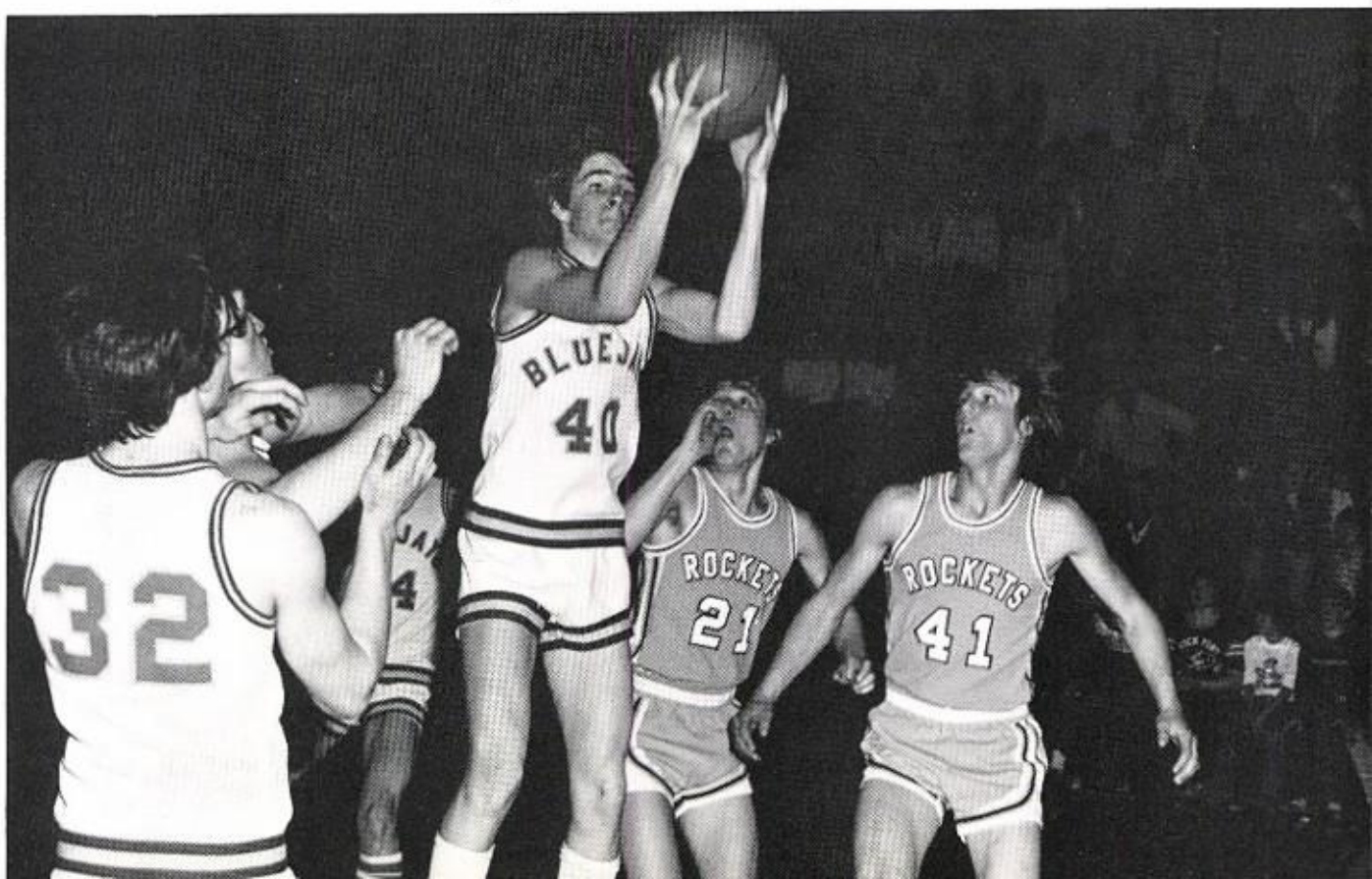
The Blue Jay B-Team.

# Boys Basketball

Gary can go up, too!




Doug comes down with a rebound.

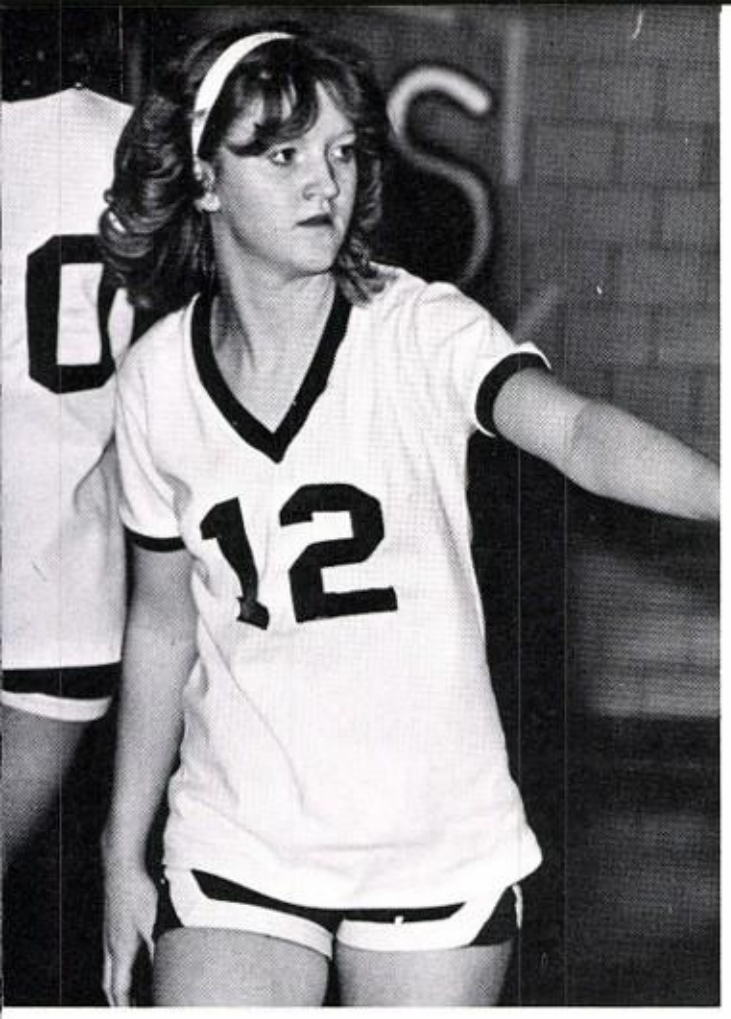


Varsity team, Row 1: J. Chapple, S. Steele (Manager), B. Haynes. Row 2: Coach Gaines, L. Wharton, E. McMahon, M. Haynes, S. Corken, S. Heits, M. Long, P. Mobley, K. Phillips, S. Freeman, K. Scamman, Coach Brubaker.

# Girls On Top 12-7

This year the Varsity girls had a pretty good season with a record of 12-7. They participated in two tournaments, one at Fairfax where they brought home a third place trophy and one at Mound City where they brought home a second place trophy. The Junior Varsity also had a good season with a record of 9-1 and a first place trophy in the Rock Port B-Team Tournament. Two seniors, Marlene Haynes and Lisa Wharton were selected to the Second Team All-Conference. Coaches this year were Tony Gaines and Vickie Brubaker, who are pictured at right during a pep assembly.

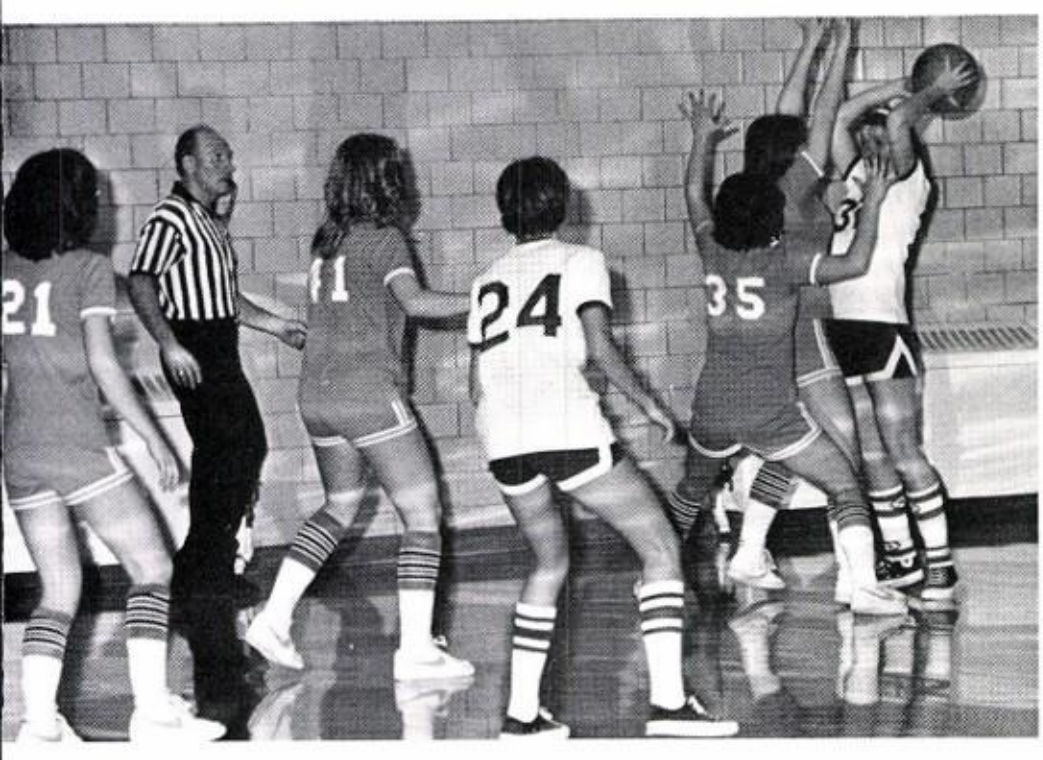
Junior Varsity team, Row 1: J. Scamman, B. Haynes, S. Thompson. Row 2: Coach Brubaker, S. Freeman, K. Phillips, C. Johnson, P. Mobley.



At Far Left: Stop!

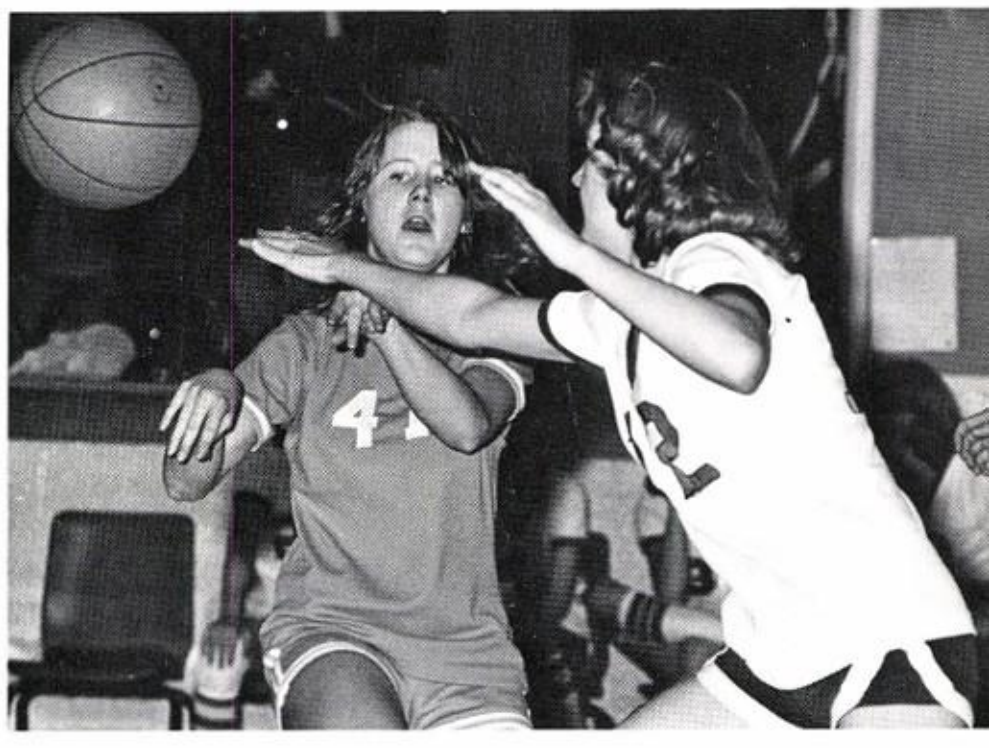
At left: Kathie keeps an eye on things.

Elaine needs help.



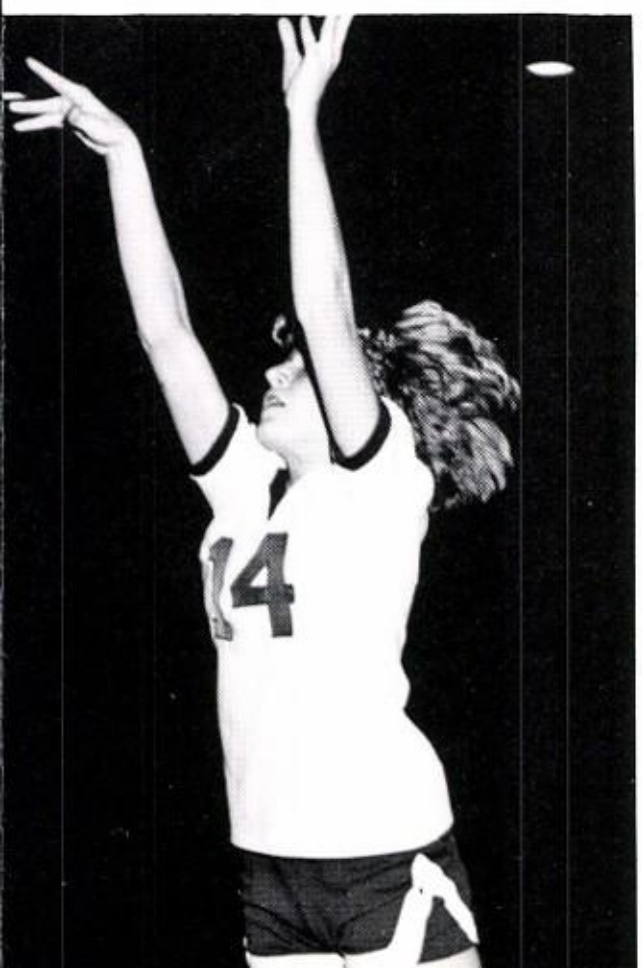
Julie takes a shot.

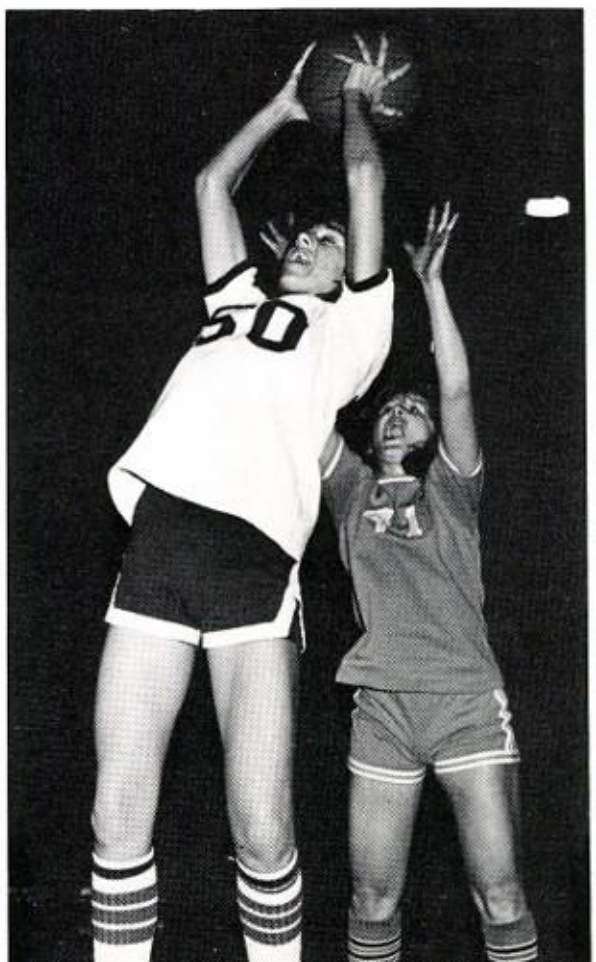
Karate??!!

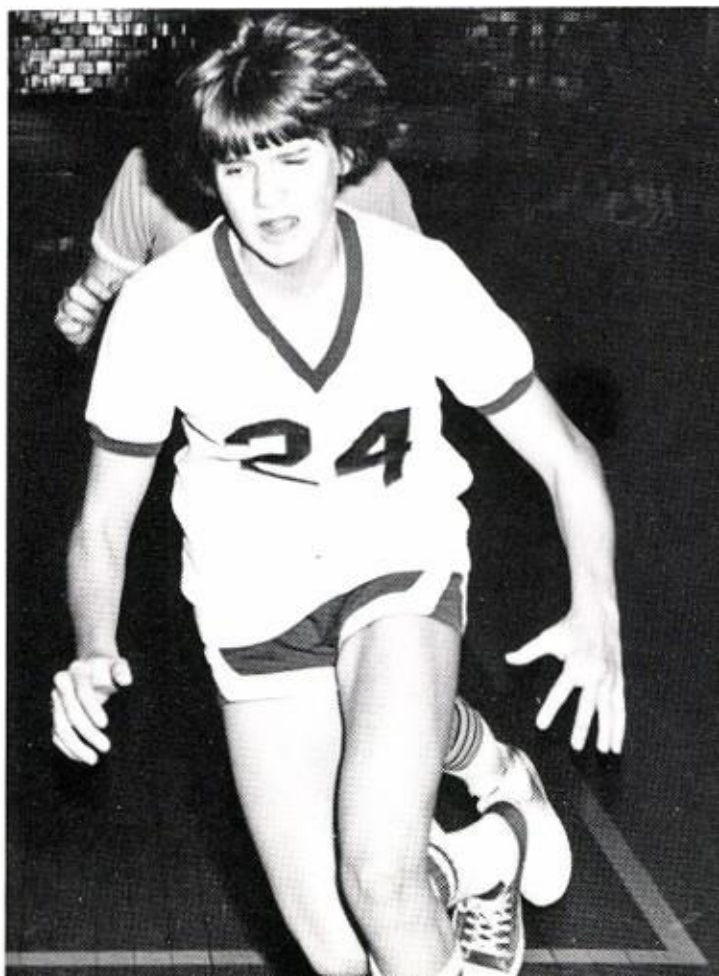


Shawna grabs a carom off the glass.

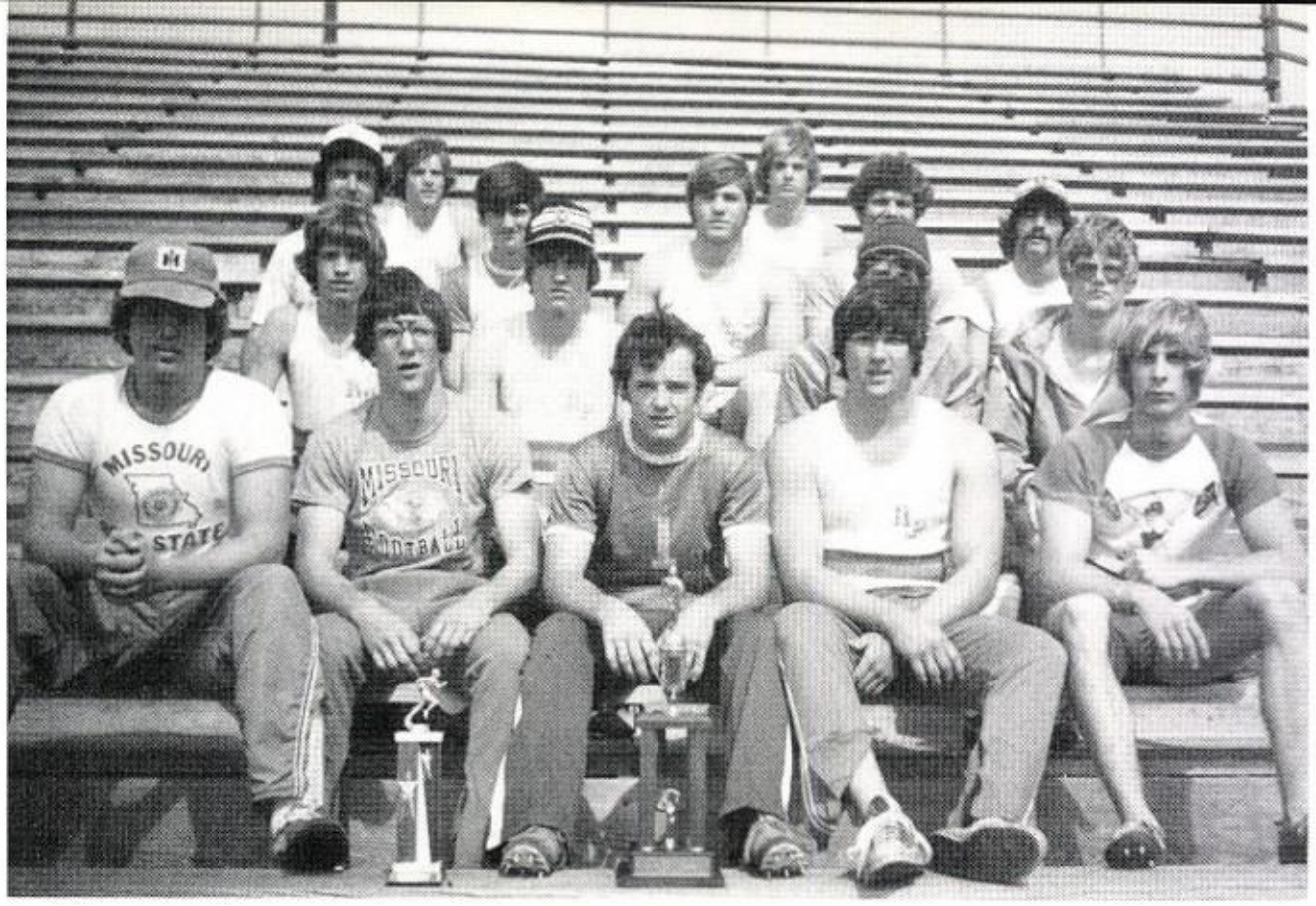
Kim sprints to recover the ball.





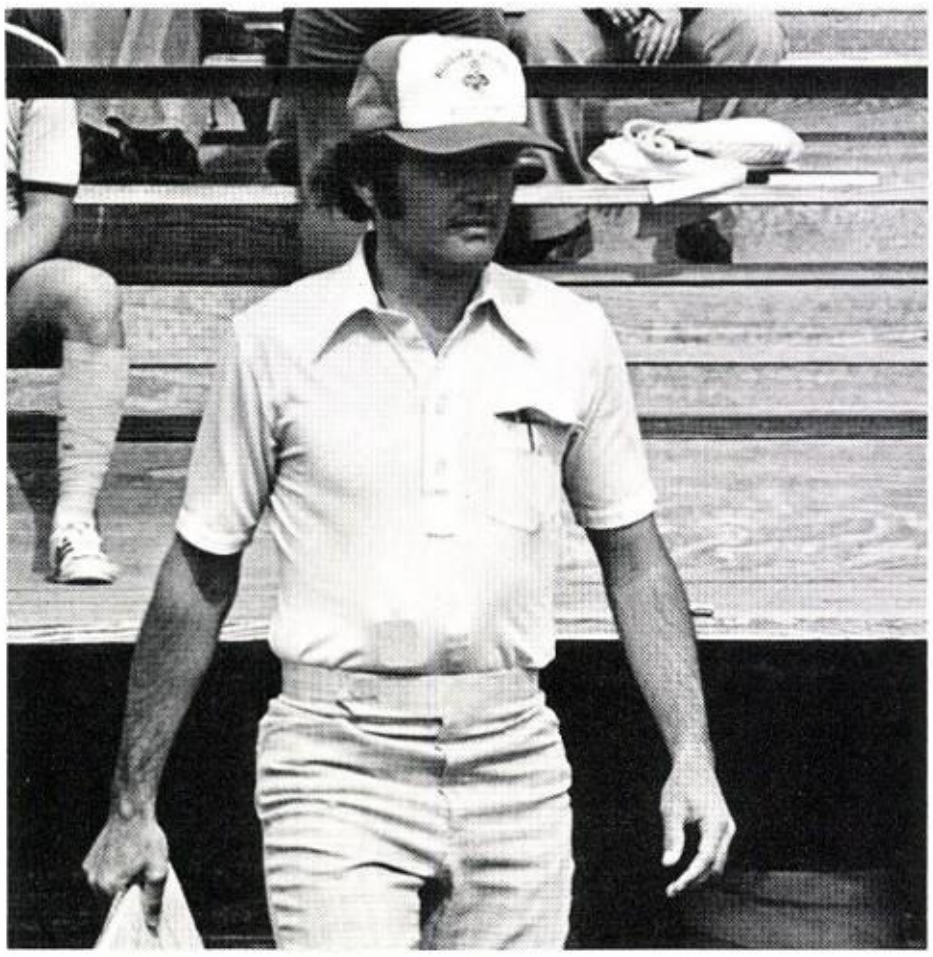


# Conference, District, and State Champs

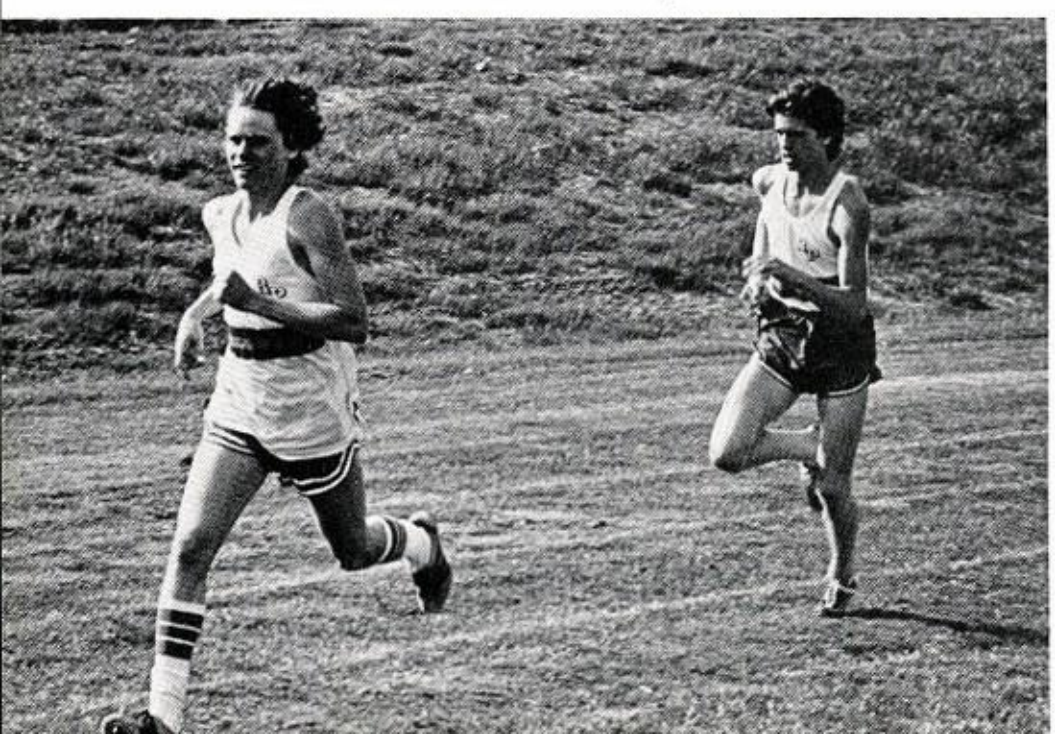



Boys Track Team, Row 1: S. Mulvania, G. Soske, M. Danley, J. Ellison, R. Clark. Row 2: M. Wilczek, D. Schierkolk, C. Chamberlain, T. Schomburg. Row 3: Coach Moore, C. Mather, L. Kennell, B. Alloway, A. Jackson. Row 4: M. Nielsen, P. Sheldon.

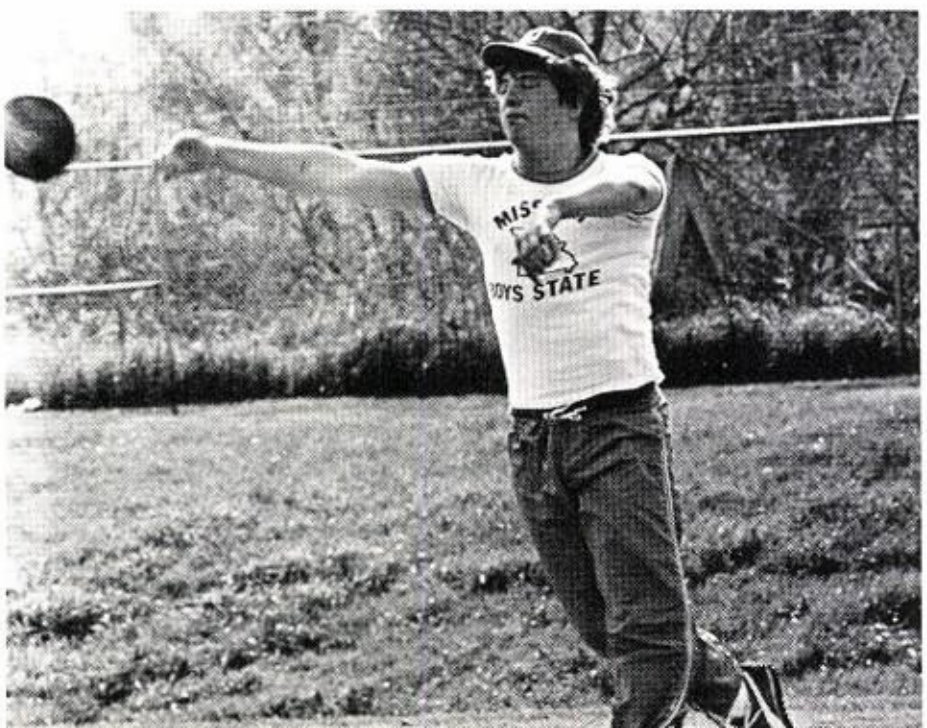
The Rock Port Blue Jay Track Team had an outstanding season this year. They placed third at Blue Jay Relays, second at Quad State, first in several triangulars and quadrangulars, and first at Rocket Relays. They were also crowned 275 Conference Champs for the second year in a row. They ran away with the District Track Championship outscoring runner-up Worth County 109-70. This year was a first for Rock Port as the Track team took first at STATE with 52 points defeating Missouri School for the Deaf with 50 points. With only sixteen members on the team seven were sent to state in nine events and one relay. Individuals qualifying were: Rod Clark in the 100, 200, and 440 yard dashed; Chris Chamberlain in the 100 yard dash and the long jump; Mike Nielsen in the mile and 2 mile runs; Jody Ellison in the discuss; and Gary Soske in the high hurdles. The 880 yard relay of Chris Chamberlain, Bill Alloway, Audie Jackson and Rod Clark also qualified. Rock Port's scores in individual events at STATE were: 100 yard dash—Chris Chamberlain first 10.6; Rod Clark seventh 100 yard dash, first 440 yard dash 50.91, third 220 yard dash 23.4; Mike Nielsen fifth mile run 4-40.5, fourth two-mile 10-14; Chris Chamberlain fourth long jump 19'11½"; 880 yard relay first 8-33.83. The team was coached by Wayne Moore who is shown at right.

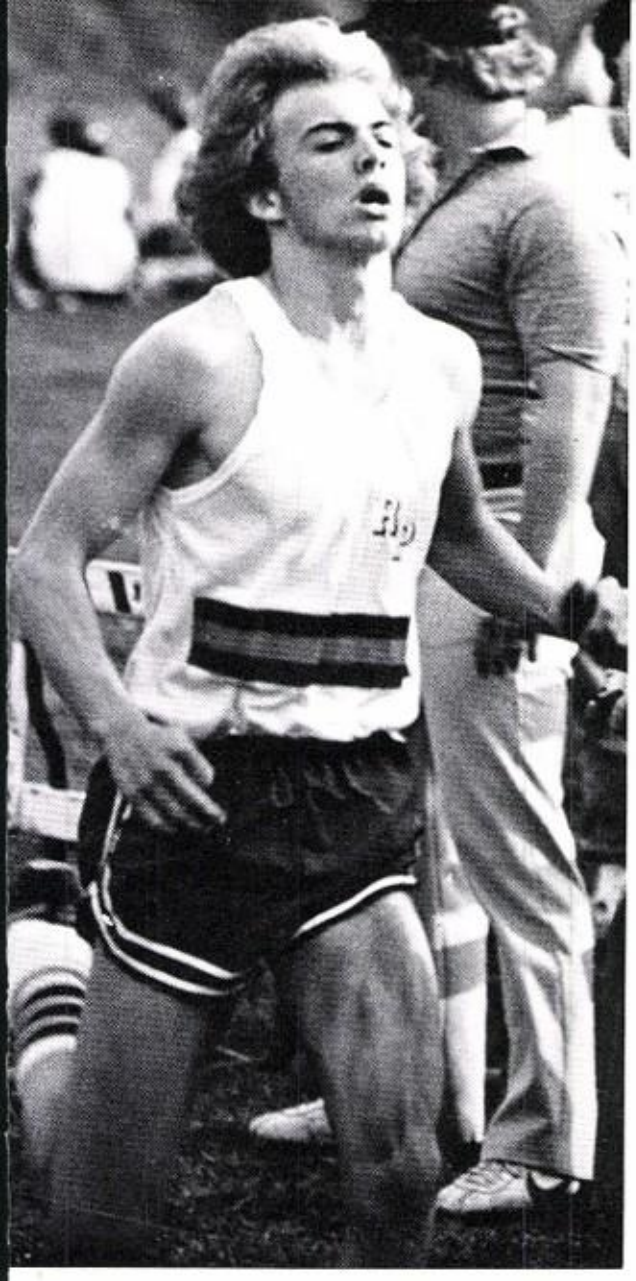


Shawn puts style in his throw.

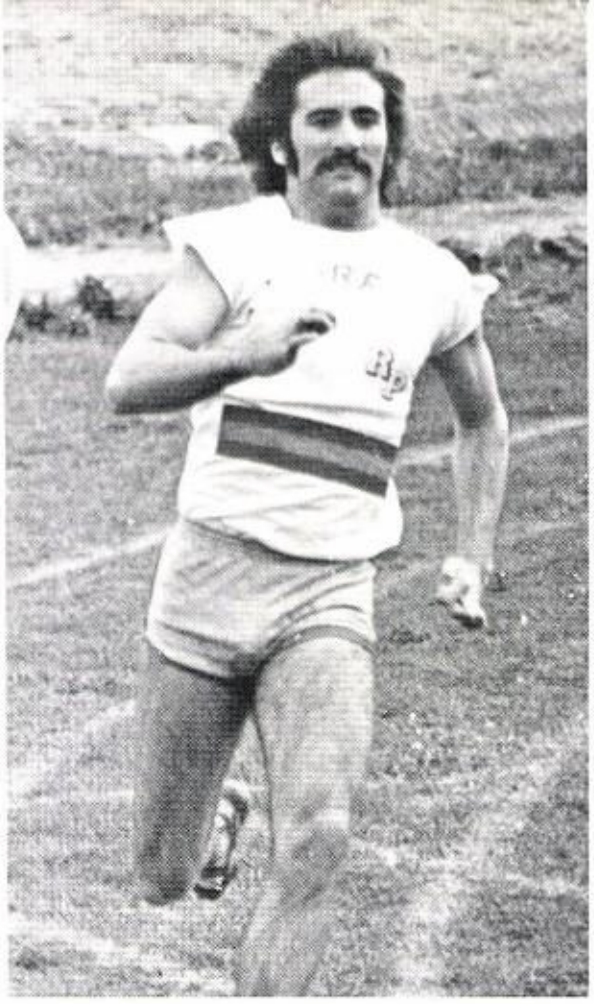


Mike and Mark set their pace.





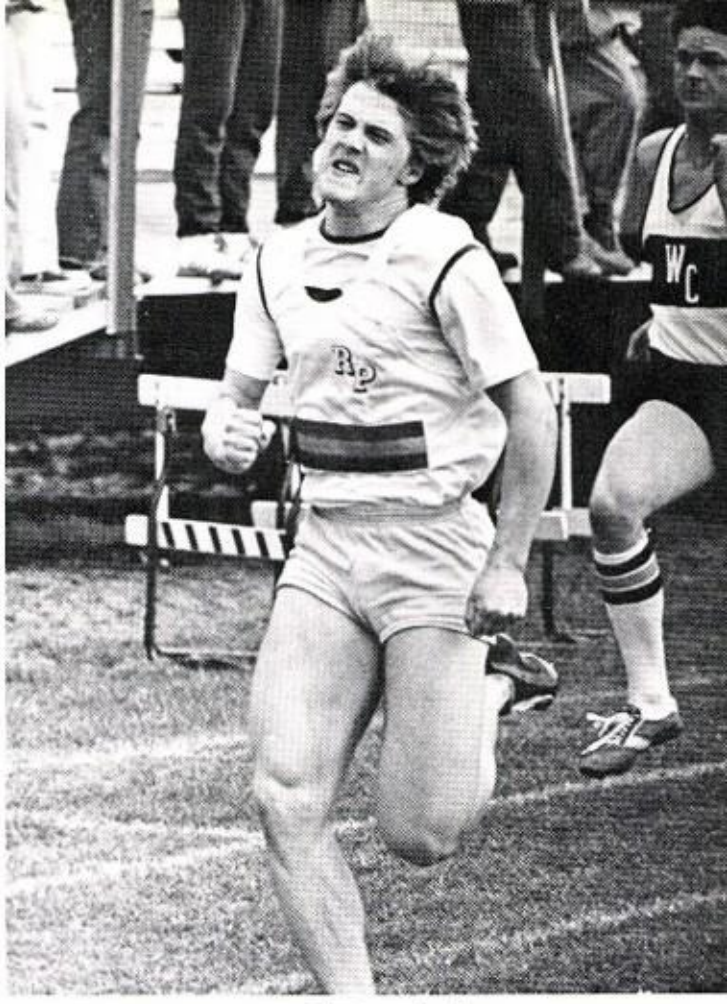
Freak wins again.



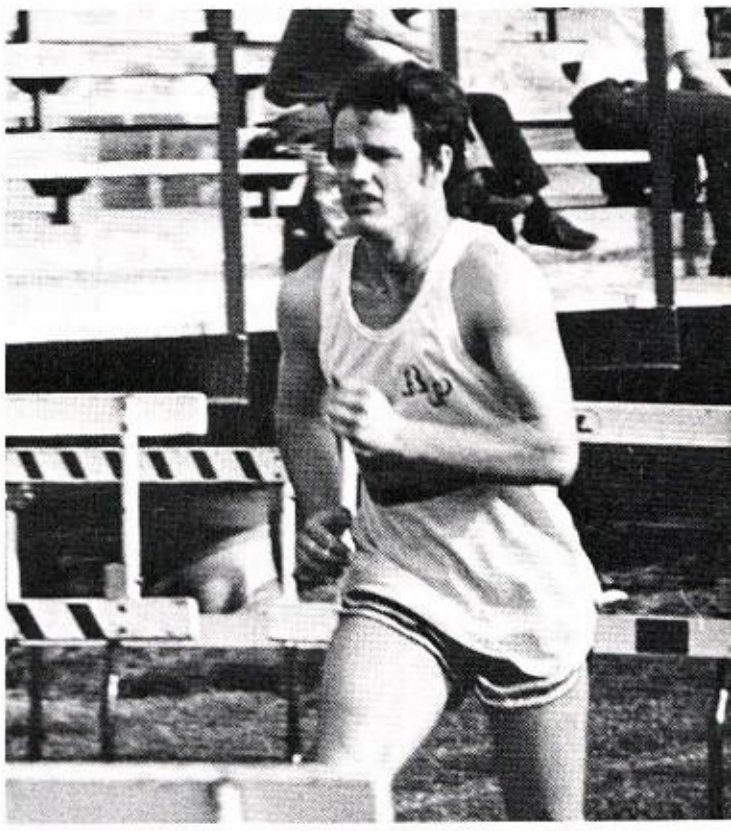
Audie pulls away

At left: Pat works hard

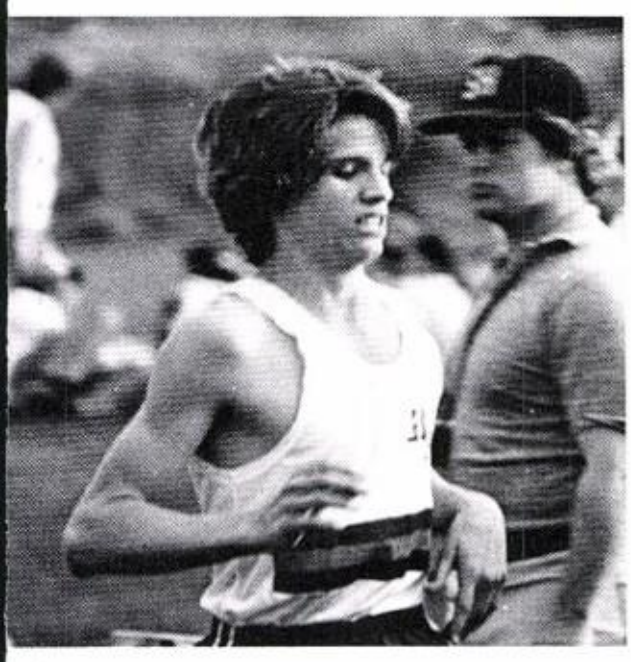
Below: Rodney acknowledges the crowd



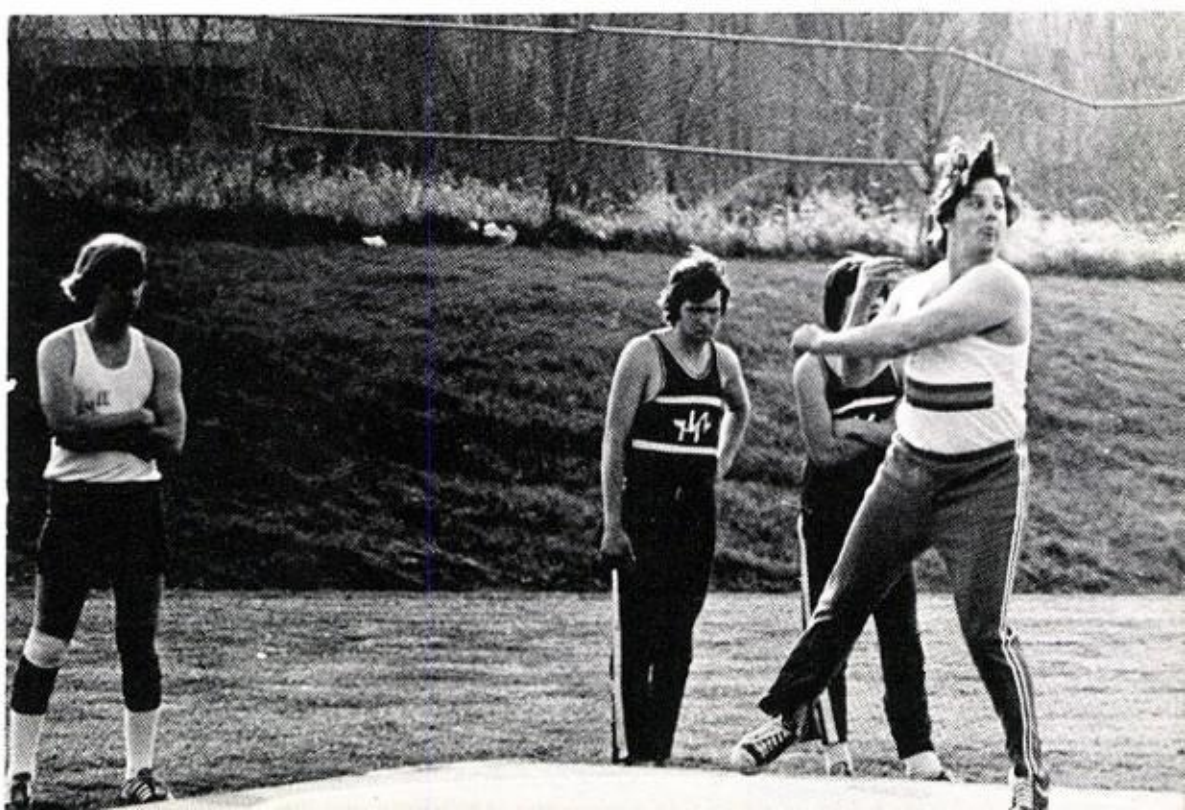
Chris wins!



Mike pushes on!

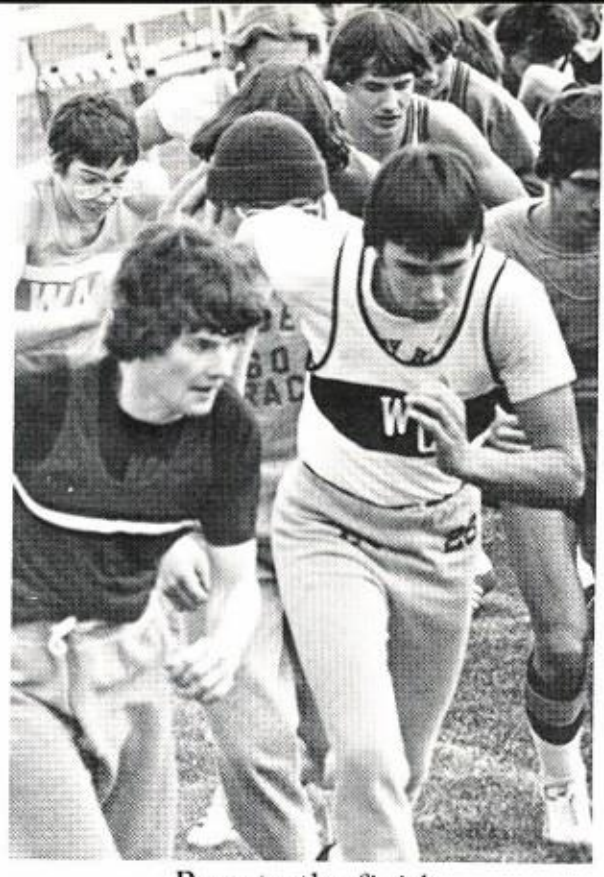


Curt clears the hurdle

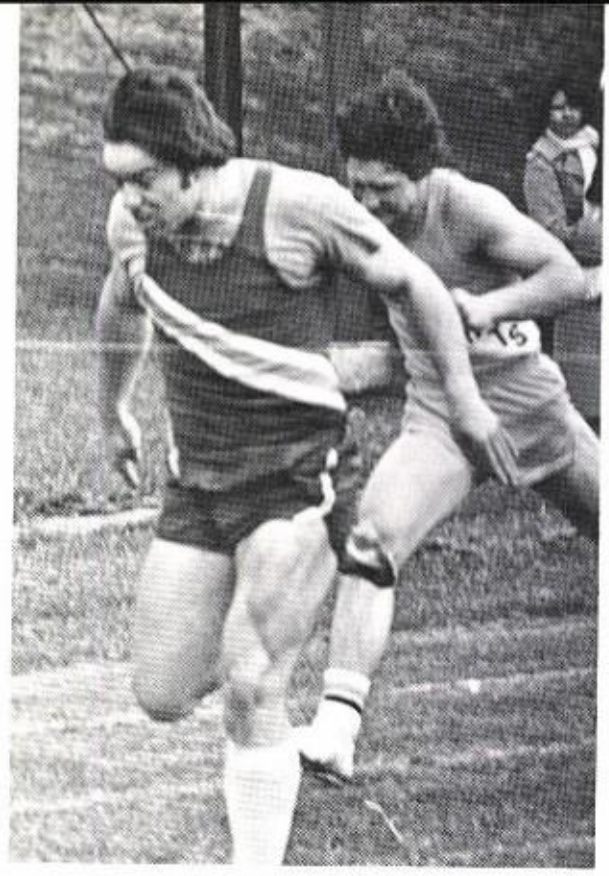


Duane watches Jody's victory.

Debbie crowned queen.



Race to the finish.



Finally made it.

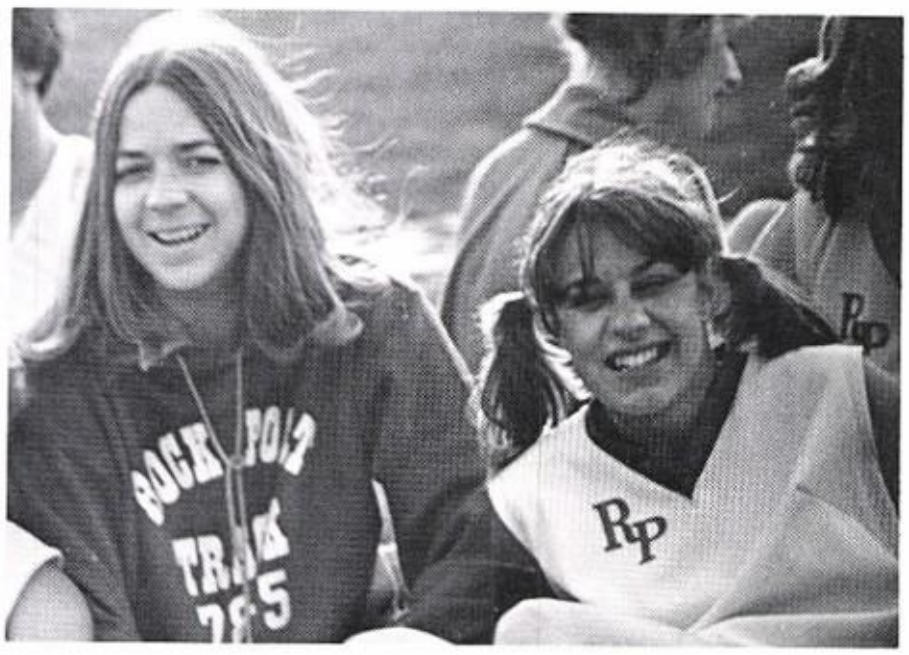
# 14th Annual Bluejay Relays

The fourteenth annual Blue Jay Relays were held April 6. Albany captured first place with a total of 86 points over Hamburg, with a score of 60. The Blue Jays placed third out of 18 schools with 55 points. Laura Shue was chosen by Speech and Drama Club members as the official Blue Jay Relay hostess. She led the crowning ceremonies in which Debbie Glenn of Hamburg, Iowa was crowned as Queen. At right: Teammates watch for finish.

Queen candidates, Row 1: Janet Beattie, Ann Bender, Debbie Glenn, Sally Orht, Laura Shue, Cathy McCrander. Row 2: Debbie Ellison, Arlene Sollars, Martha Roberts, Robin Moore, Rachel Snider, Julie MacAninich, Alicia Barry.

Girls track team, Row 1: Coach Brubaker, J. Martin, C. Armstrong, S. Daugherty, H. Basham, M. Roberts, M. Heits, M. Shaw, Coach Eickhoff. Row 2: L. Danley, L. Nielsen, S. Thompson, B. Cooper, R. Moore, J. Groff, C. Walker, B. Groff, S. Heits, A. Duntz. Row 3: L. Bray, S. Ledford, K. Scamman, S. Freeman, M. Long, K. Phillips, P. Mobley, S. Schoonover, P. Squires, C. Squires, P. O'Barsky.

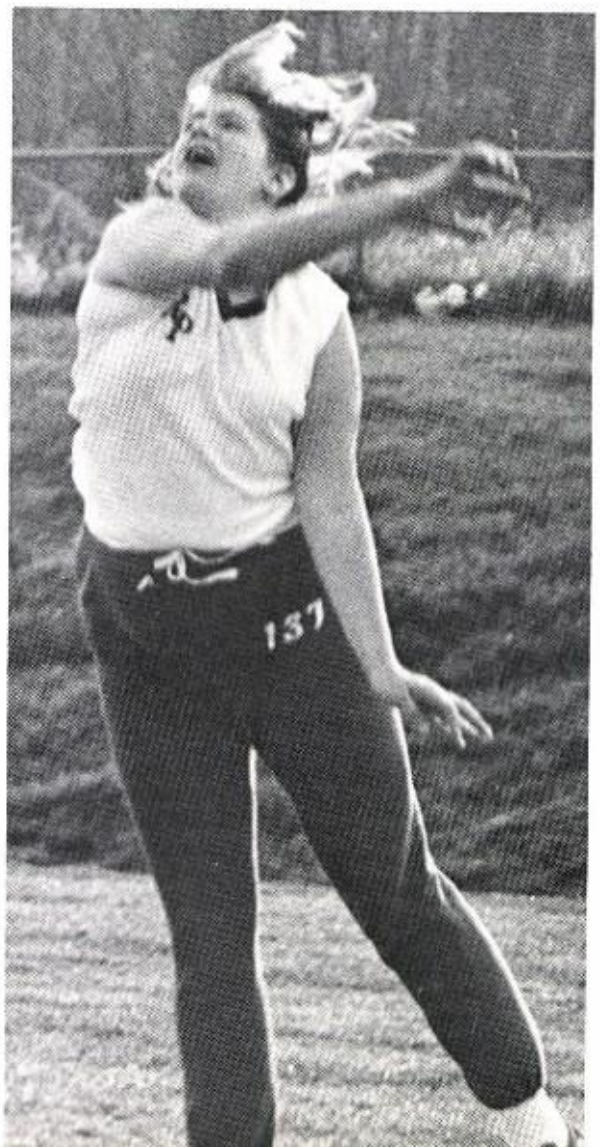
# Girls Crowned 275 and District Champions



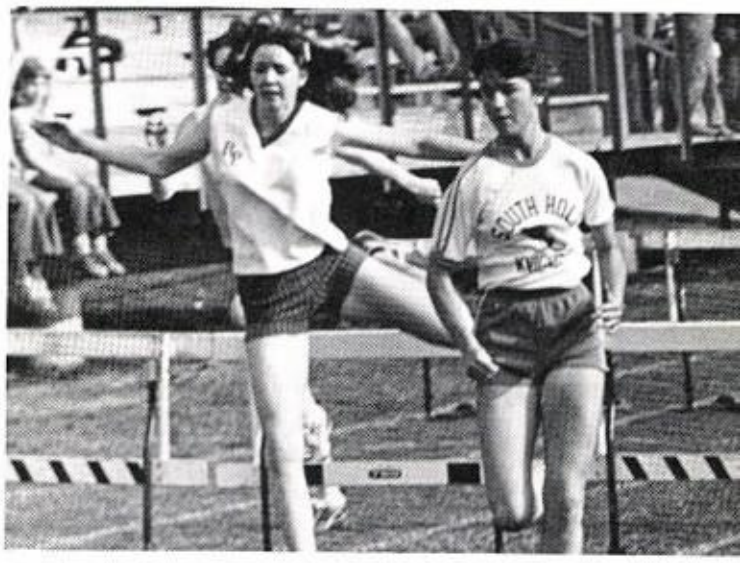
Composed of 24 talented and dedicated athletes, the Jay girls took first place honors at St. Joe Indian Relays, Rocket Relays and numerous triangulars and quadrangulars. The most coveted honor of all was being crowned 275 Conference Champions and District Champions. The Jays had nine girls Qualify for state. Those included: Helena Basham, Shawna Heits, Julia Groff, Kim Scamman, Pam Mobley, Brooke Cooper, Susan Thompson, Susan Freeman, and Lynda Danley. This talented group also broke numerous school records as well as Susan Freeman setting a conference mark in the triple jump 31' 9½", Julia with a 2:37.3 880 run, the mile ralay of Julia, Shawna, Pam and Susan T. turning in a 4:32.1 and the two-mile relay of Kim, Brooke, Shawna, and Julia with a time of 10:59.3. The girls were coached by Mr. Raymond Eickhoff and assisted by Ms. Vickie Brubaker.

Mr. Eickhoff wonders why!

Mary with a good throw.



Kathy jumps the hurdles.



Susan races to the finish.

# Scoreboard 78-79

## Football

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|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 35 | Nodaway Holt | 6 |
| Rock Port | 26 | Mound City | 0 |
| Rock Port | 29 | West Nodaway | 8 |
| Rock Port | 14 | Fairfax | 8 |
| Rock Port | 29 | Craig | 0 |
| Rock Port | 40 | South Holt | 15 |
| Rock Port | 60 | North Nodaway | 6 |
| Rock Port | 20 | Tarkio | 15 |
| Rock Port | 13 | Princeton | 14 |

## B-Football

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 20 | Fairfax | 12 |
| Rock Port | 12 | Tarkio | 14 |
| Rock Port | 18 | West Nodaway | 6 |
| Rock Port | 0 | Nodaway Holt | 35 |

## Basketball

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 42 | Tarkio | 67 |
| Rock Port | 40 | Fairfax | 62 |
| Rock Port | 32 | Mound City | 67 |
| Rock Port | 29 | Craig | 73 |
| Rock Port | 48 | South Holt | 78 |
| Rock Port | 37 | Craig | 72 |
| Rock Port | 44 | Nodaway Holt | 50 |
| Rock Port | 66 | Hamburg | 67 |
| Rock Port | 67 | North Nodaway | 43 |
| Rock Port | 43 | Nodaway Holt | 54 |
| Rock Port | 53 | Tarkio | 85 |
| Rock Port | 66 | West Nodaway | 85 |
| Rock Port | 55 | Fremont Mills | 74 |
| Rock Port | 53 | Fairfax | 80 |
| Rock Port | 50 | Sacred Heart | 70 |
| Rock Port | 46 | Fillmore | 65 |

## B-Basketball

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 44 | South Holt | 30 |
| Rock Port | 27 | Tarkio | 55 |
| Rock Port | 23 | Craig | 55 |
| Rock Port | 38 | Nodaway Holt | 55 |
| Rock Port | 62 | Hamburg | 68 |
| Rock Port | 29 | West Nodaway | 38 |
| Rock Port | 32 | Fairfax | 66 |
| Rock Port | 32 | Fremont Mills | 63 |
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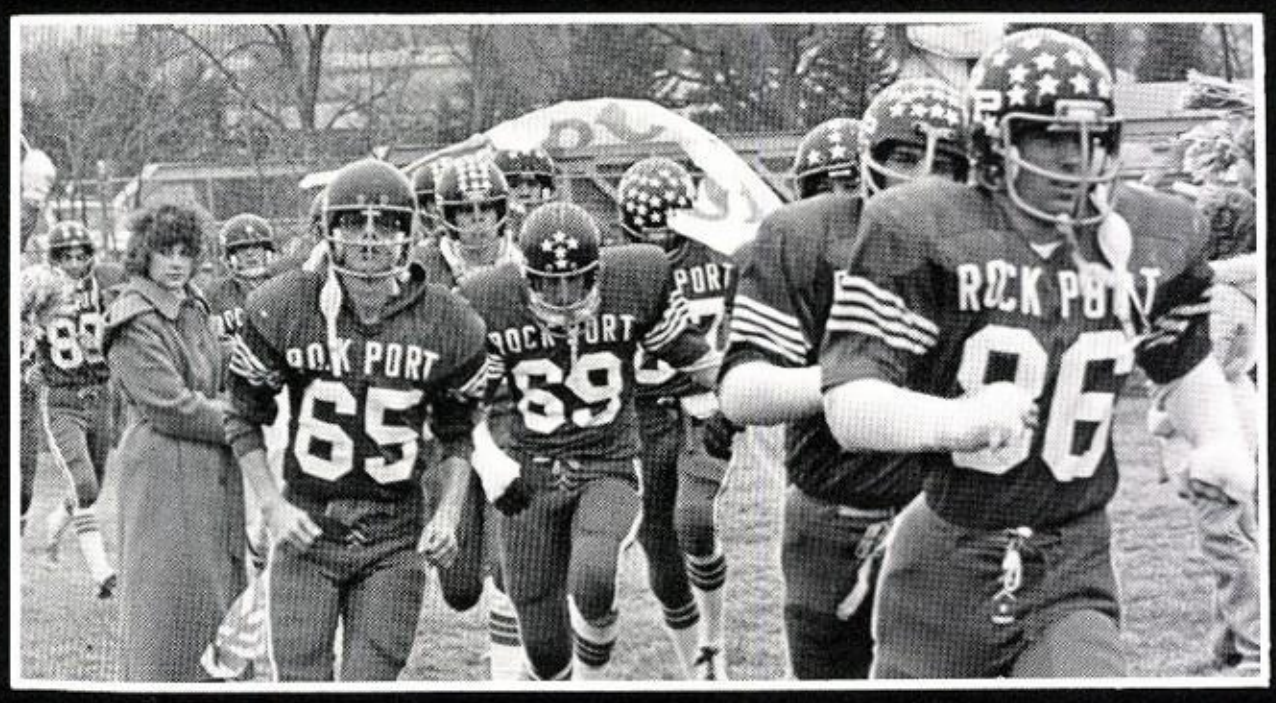

## Wrestling

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|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 31 | Southeast | 33 |
| Rock Port | 33 | South Holt | 28 |
| Rock Port | 18 | Tarkio | 43 |
| Rock Port | 24 | Savannah | 40 |
| Rock Port | 23 | South Harrison | 41 |
| Rock Port | 40 | Albany | 18 |
| Rock Port | 40 | Stanberry | 27 |
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| Rock Port | 51 | Stanberry | 15 |
| Rock Port | 19 | South Page | 39 |
| Rock Port | 6th | Sabetha Tourn. | |
| Rock Port | 4th | South Page Tourn. | |
| Rock Port | 1st | Albany Quadrangle | |
| Rock Port | 12th | Districts | |

## Golf

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|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 235 | Auburn | 190 |
| Rock Port | 215 | Tarkio | 164 |
| Rock Port | 209 | Nebraska City | 179 |
| | | North Nodaway | 201 |
| Rock Port | 199 | Maryville | 158 |
| Rock Port | 220 | Nebraska City | 220 |
| Rock Port | 225 | North Nodaway | 215 |
| Rock Port | 211 | Falls City | 169 |
| Rock Port | 209 | Auburn | 225 |
| Rock Port | 219 | Maryville | 164 |
| Rock Port | 205 | Tarkio | 168 |
| Rock Port | 18th | District | |

## Track

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 3rd | Blue Jay Relays | |
| Rock Port | 2nd | Quad State | |
| Rock Port | 188 | Craig | 119 |
| | | West Nodaway | 80 |
| | | Fairfax | 74 |
| | | South Holt | 39 |
| | | North Nodaway | 7 |
| Rock Port | 87 | Nodaway Holt | 50 |
| | | South Holt | 32 |
| Rock Port | 75 | Mound City | 49 |
| | | Craig | 28 |
| | | Fairfax | 25 |
| Rock Port | 1st | Rocket Relays | |
| Rock Port | 89 | Fairfax | 44 |
| | | South Holt | 29 |
| Rock Port | 61½ | Tarkio | 53½ |
| | | Nodaway Holt | 40 |
| Rock Port | 1st | 275 Conference | |
| Rock Port | 1st | District | |
| Rock Port | 1st | STATE | |

## Jr. High Boys Basketball

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 27 | Savannah No. 2 | 16 |
| Rock Port | 24 | South Holt | 21 |
| Rock Port | 27 | Craig | 28 |
| Rock Port | 41 | Mound City | 44 |
| Rock Port | 41 | West Nodaway | 14 |
| Rock Port | 34 | South Holt | 23 |
| Rock Port | 23 | Fairfax | 31 |
| Rock Port | 23 | North Nodaway | 32 |
| Rock Port | 38 | Tarkio | 14 |
| Rock Port | 38 | Craig | 32 |
| Rock Port | 43 | Nodaway Holt | 28 |
| Rock Port | 33 | North Nodaway | 29 |
| Rock Port | 20 | Mound City | 35 |
| Rock Port | 41 | Jefferson | 39 |

## Jr. High Football

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 32 | South Holt | 16 |
| Rock Port | 28 | West Nodaway | 8 |
| Rock Port | 0 | Nodaway Holt | 12 |
| Rock Port | 18 | Tarkio | 8 |

## Jr. High Boys Track

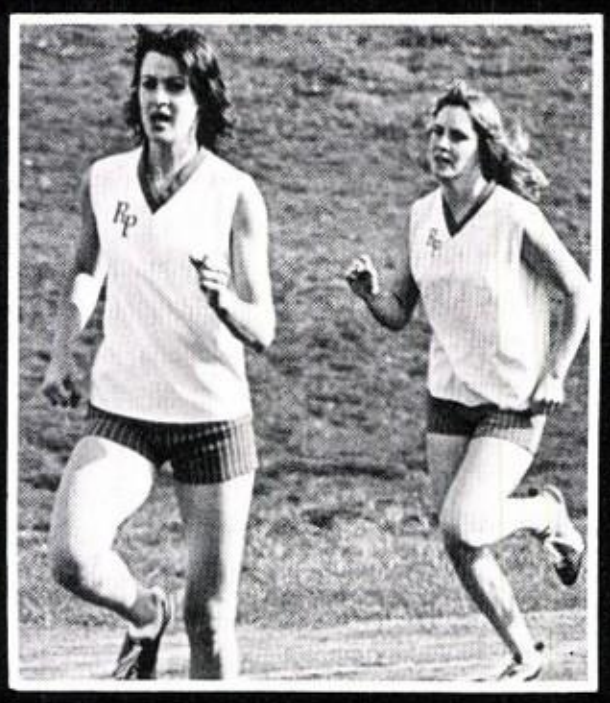
| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 3rd | Indian Relays | |
| Rock Port | 65 | West Nodaway | 55 |
| | | Fairfax | 4 |
| Rock Port | 64 | Nodaway Holt | 46½ |
| | | Mound City | 15½ |
| Rock Port | 87½ | Craig | 31 |
| | | South Holt | 7½ |
| Rock Port | 50 | Tarkio | 78 |
| | | Fairfax | 6 |
| Rock Port | 2nd | JH Girls Invitational | |

## Jr. High Girls Track

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 76 | West Nodaway | 40 |
| | | Fairfax | 18 |
| Rock Port | 35 | Nodaway Holt | 59 |
| | | Mound City | 43 |
| Rock Port | 4th | Mound City Invitat. | |
| Rock Port | 68½ | Craig | 47 |
| | | South Holt | 21½ |
| Rock Port | 48 | Tarkio | 72 |
| | | Fairfax | 20 |

## Jr. High Girls Basketball

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 16 | Savannah No. 2 | 14 |
| Rock Port | 16 | Tarkio | 25 |
| Rock Port | 20 | Fillmore | 9 |
| Rock Port | 24 | Mound City | 13 |
| Rock Port | 20 | West Nodaway | 23 |
| Rock Port | 24 | South Holt | 21 |
| Rock Port | 25 | Fairfax | 18 |
| Rock Port | 28 | North Nodaway | 8 |
| Rock Port | 21 | Tarkio | 20 |
| Rock Port | 23 | Craig | 34 |
| Rock Port | 13 | Nodaway Holt | 15 |
| Rock Port | 29 | Mound City | 19 |
| Rock Port | 20 | West Nodaway | 28 |
| Rock Port | 13 | Jefferson | 31 |



## Girls Track

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 6th | Indian Relays Tarkio | |
| Rock Port | 188½ | Craig | 78 |
| | | Fairfax | 61 |
| | | North Nodaway | 48 |
| | | South Holt | 44½ |
| | | West Nodaway | 26 |
| Rock Port | 1st | Indian Relays St. Joe | |
| Rock Port | 88 | Nodaway Holt | 11 |
| | | South Holt | 50 |
| Rock Port | 79½ | Craig | 33½ |
| | | Fairfax | 15 |
| | | Mound City | 31 |
| Rock Port | 1st | Rocket Relays | |
| Rock Port | 68 | Nodaway Holt | 24 |
| | | Tarkio | 54 |
| Rock Port | 1st | 275 Conference | |
| Rock Port | 1st | District | |
| Rock Port | 10th | STATE | |

## Girls Basketball

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 23 | Fairfax | 34 |
| Rock Port | 40 | West Nodaway | 33 |
| Rock Port | 33 | Tarkio | 27 |
| Rock Port | 42 | Nodaway Holt | 28 |
| Rock Port | 25 | Fairfax | 46 |
| Rock Port | 36 | Fairfax | 56 |
| Rock Port | 40 | Mound City | 33 |
| Rock Port | 35 | Craig | 25 |
| Rock Port | 28 | South Holt | 27 |
| Rock Port | 45 | Sacred Heart | 17 |
| Rock Port | 27 | N.E. Nodaway | 42 |
| Rock Port | 33 | Nodaway Holt | 31 |
| Rock Port | 16 | North Nodaway | 25 |
| Rock Port | 29 | Nodaway Holt | 35 |
| Rock Port | 64 | Tarkio | 26 |
| Rock Port | 45 | West Nodaway | 38 |
| Rock Port | 45 | Tarkio | 31 |
| Rock Port | 37 | South Nodaway | 30 |
| Rock Port | 33 | Fairfax | 64 |

## B-Basketball

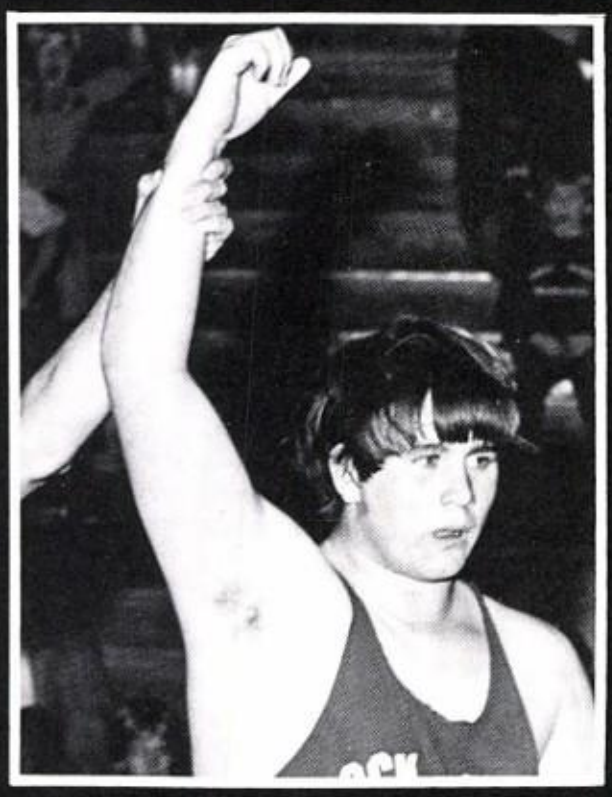
| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 18 | Fairfax | 15 |
| Rock Port | 41 | West Nodaway | 19 |
| Rock Port | 36 | South Holt | 16 |
| Rock Port | 39 | Tarkio | 24 |
| Rock Port | 61 | Craig | 32 |
| Rock Port | 45 | Nodaway Holt | 28 |
| Rock Port | 31 | West Nodaway | 24 |
| Rock Port | 30 | Fairfax | 34 |
| Rock Port | 46 | Fairfax | 29 |
| Rock Port | 31 | Tarkio | 21 |

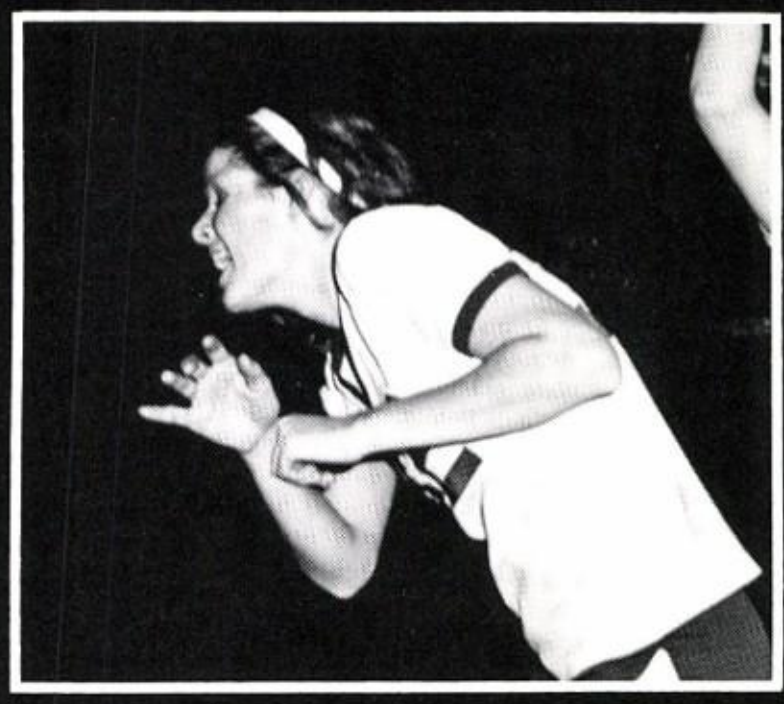
## Girls Golf

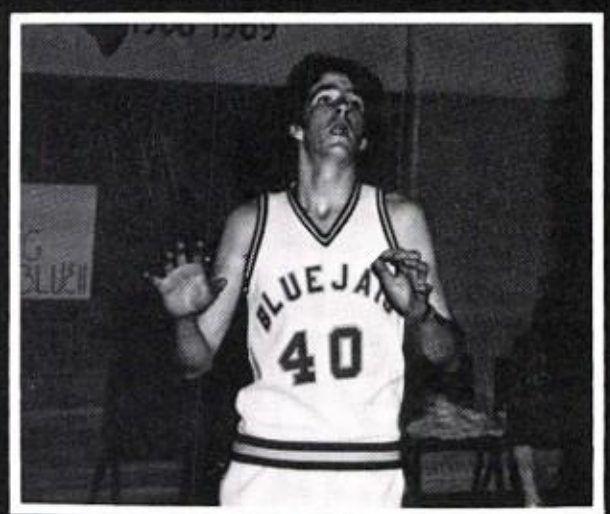
| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 200 | Central | 219 |
| Rock Port | 225 | Benton | 250 |
| Rock Port | 295 | Maryville | 318 |
| Rock Port | 148 | North Nodaway | 226 |
| Rock Port | 217 | Central | 229 |
| Rock Port | 204 | Benton | 252 |
| Rock Port | 110 | North Nodaway | 135 |
| Rock Port | | Maryville Forfeit | |

## B-Golf

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Port | 222 | Central | 240 |
| Rock Port | 123 | Benton | 130 |
| Rock Port | 132 | North Nodaway | 72 |
| Rock Port | 84 | North Nodaway | 95 |







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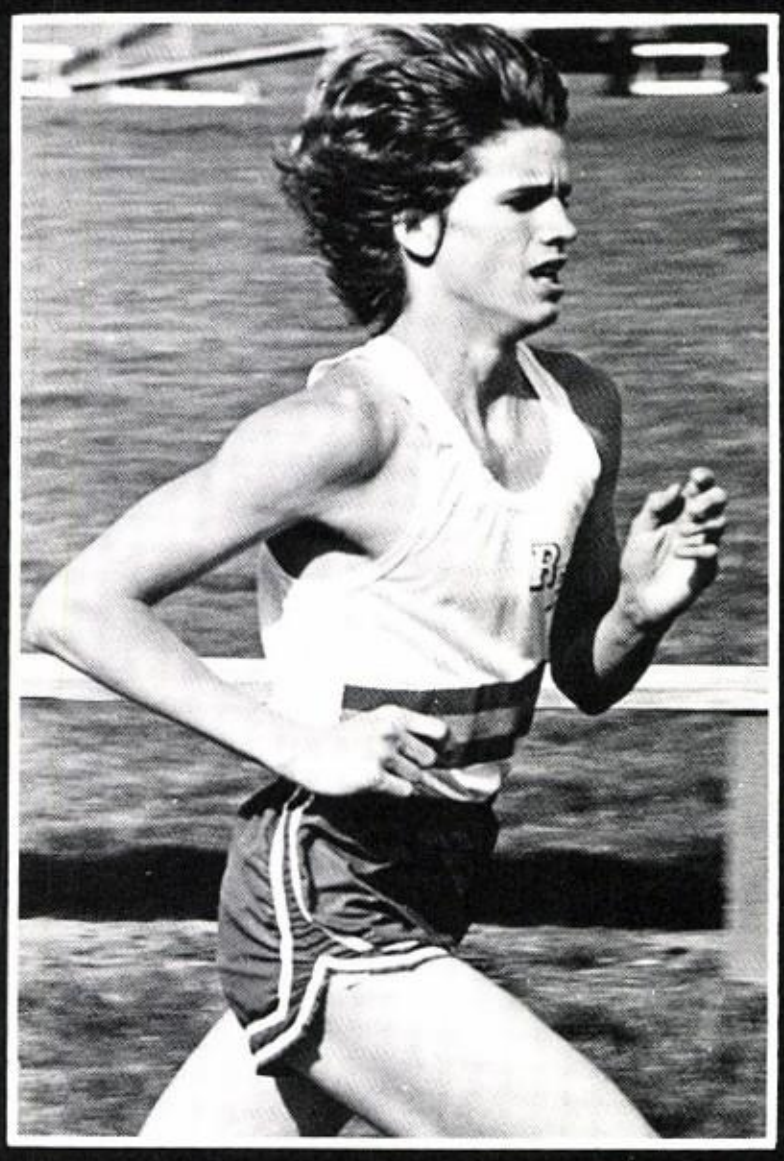

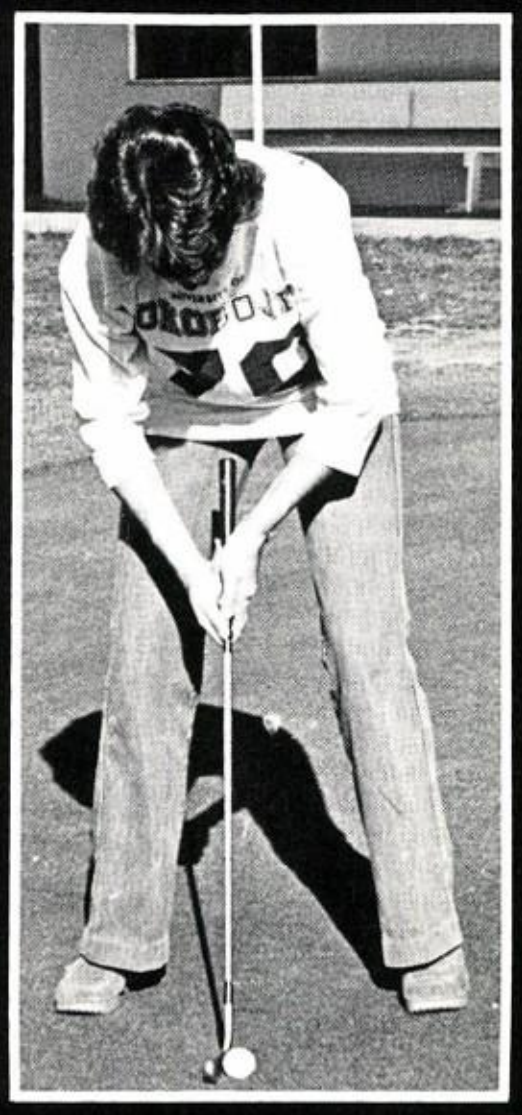

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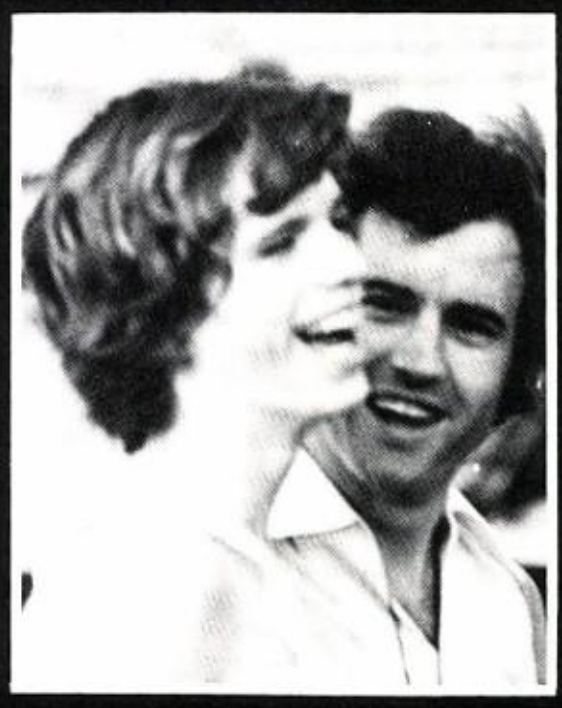
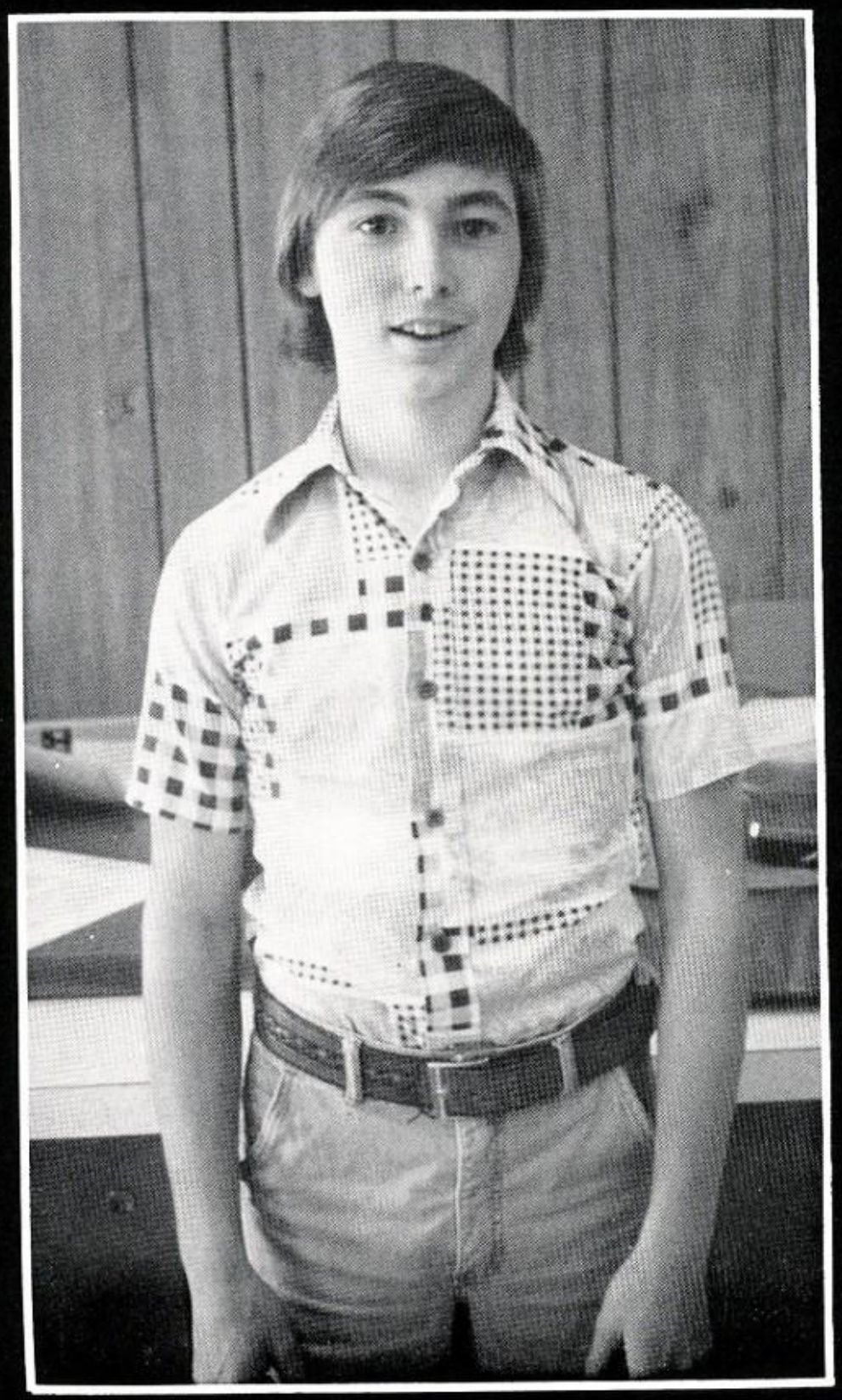




# Honors

*It Is Better to Deserve*
*Without Receiving,*
*Than to Receive*
*Without Deserving.*

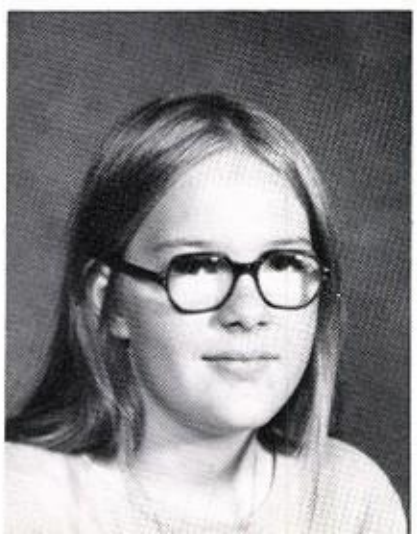
Laura and Sharmyn.

The top ten seniors at center right, Row 1: Gary Soske (5), Bill Laverentz and Marissa Heits (10). Row 2: Jana Stoner (3), Lisa Wharton (4). Row 3: Laura Corken (1), Sharmyn Steele (2). Not shown: Stacy Gebhards (9), Mike Walker (8) Marlene Haynes (7), Jim Knierim (6).

Top students in each class were: Freshmen—Connie Peterson 10.83; Sophomore—Renee Powers 10.52; Junior—Matt Stoner 10.97; Salutatorian—Sharmyn Steele 10.80; Valedictorian—Laura Corken 10.98.

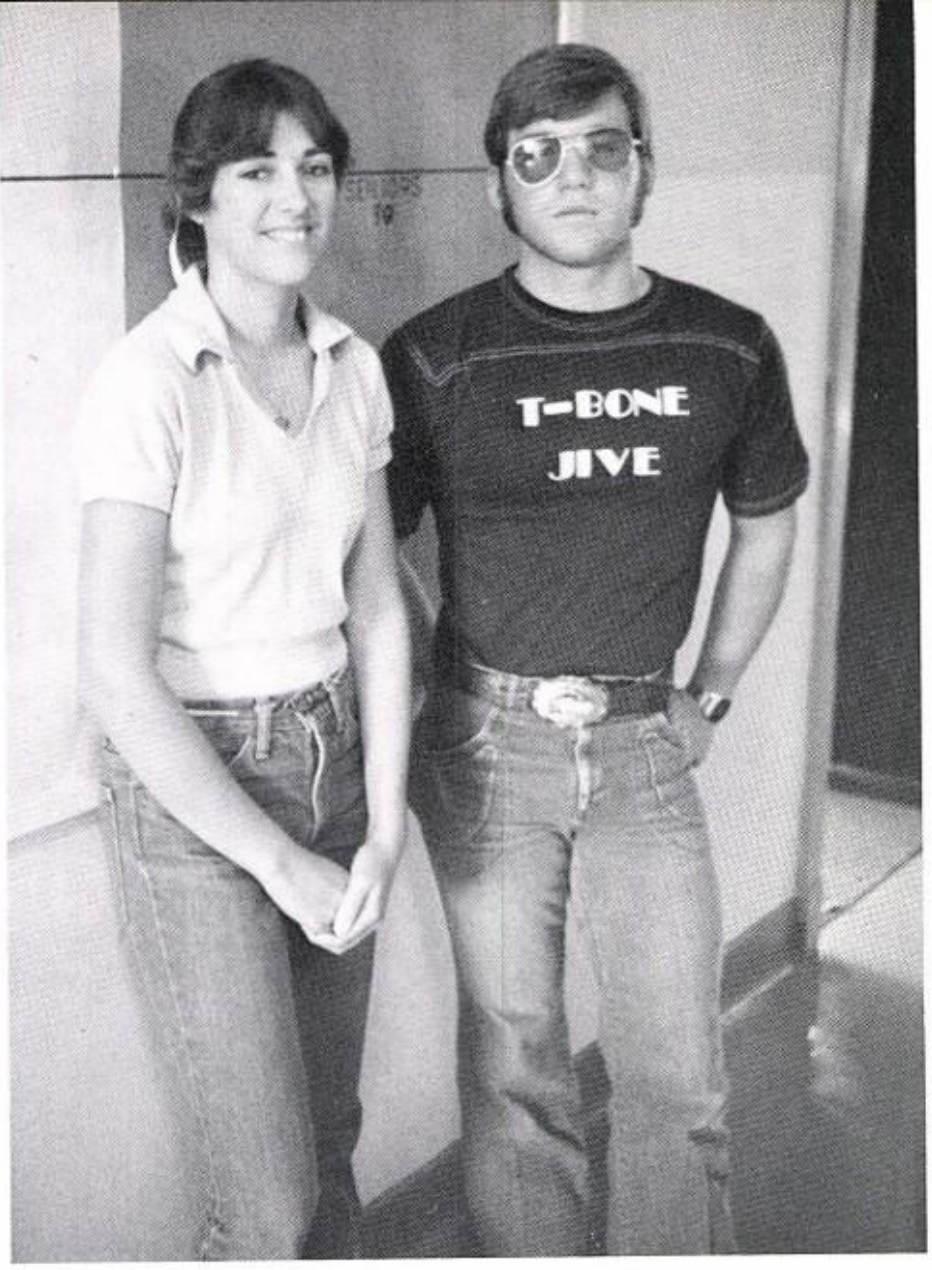
# Rock Port Tops

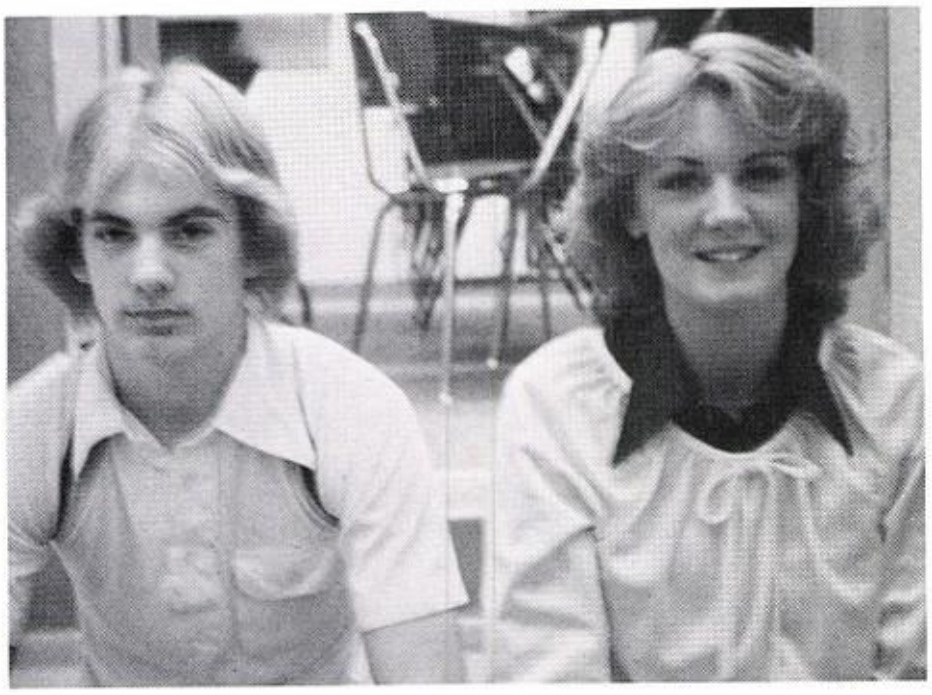
Connie Peterson



Renee Powers

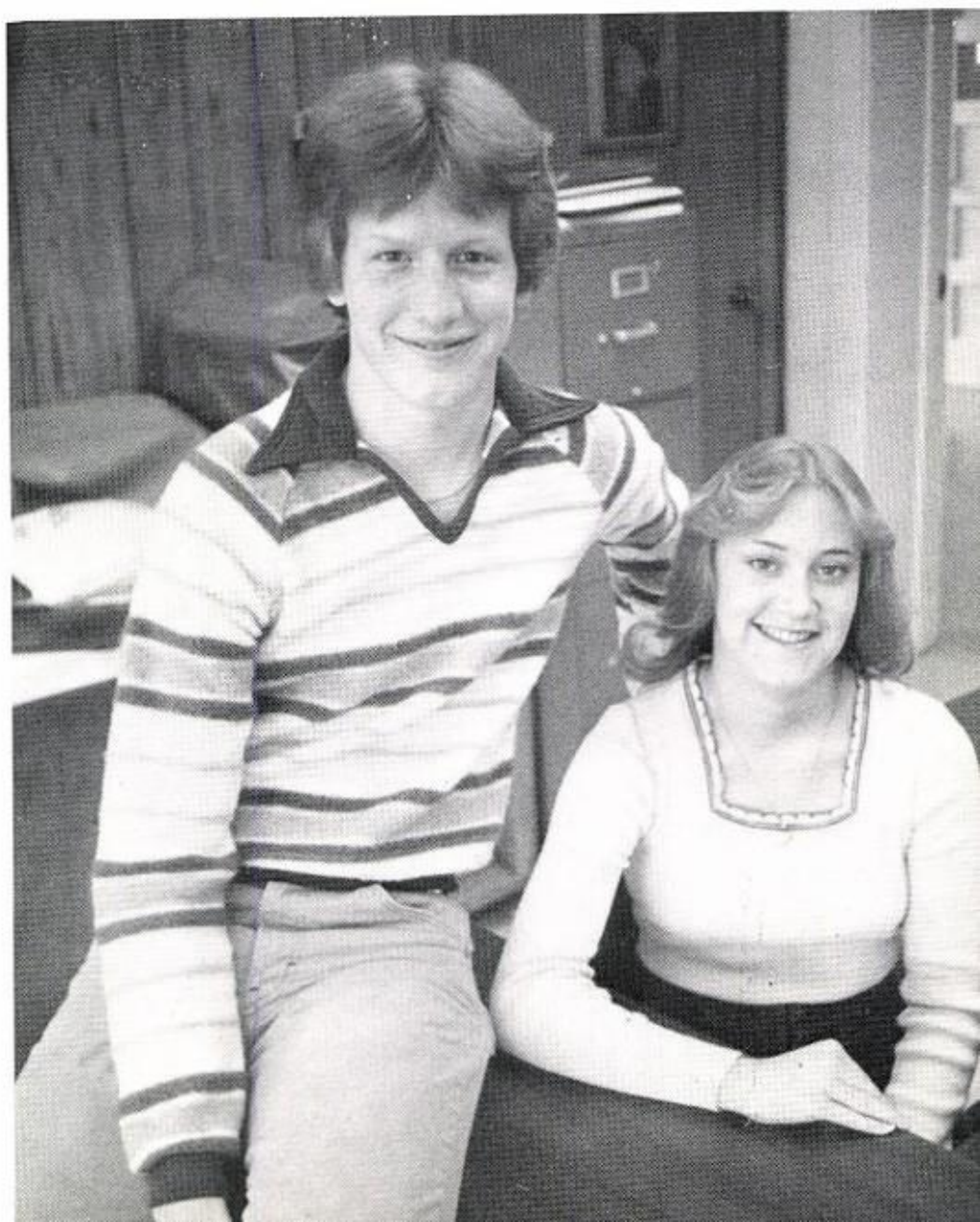
Matt Stoner



# Named Good School Citizens at Rock Port R-II

Each year the National Honor Society gives honors to eight students of Rock Port High School naming them Good School Citizens. Two students, one boy and one girl, are chosen for service to the school each quarter. This years' Good School Citizens were: First Quarter, below right: Kevin Gilbertson and Sharon Smyth. Second Quarter, center left: Pat Sheldon and Lisa Wharton. Third Quarter, below left: Bill Laverentz and Valerie Herron. Fourth Quarter, top left: Shawna Heits and Larry Kennell.



# State Speaker

Jo Bermingham (pictured at right) represented Rock Port at the annual Missouri State Speech Contest on April 20 in Columbia. She competed in the prose reading category and received an average rating.

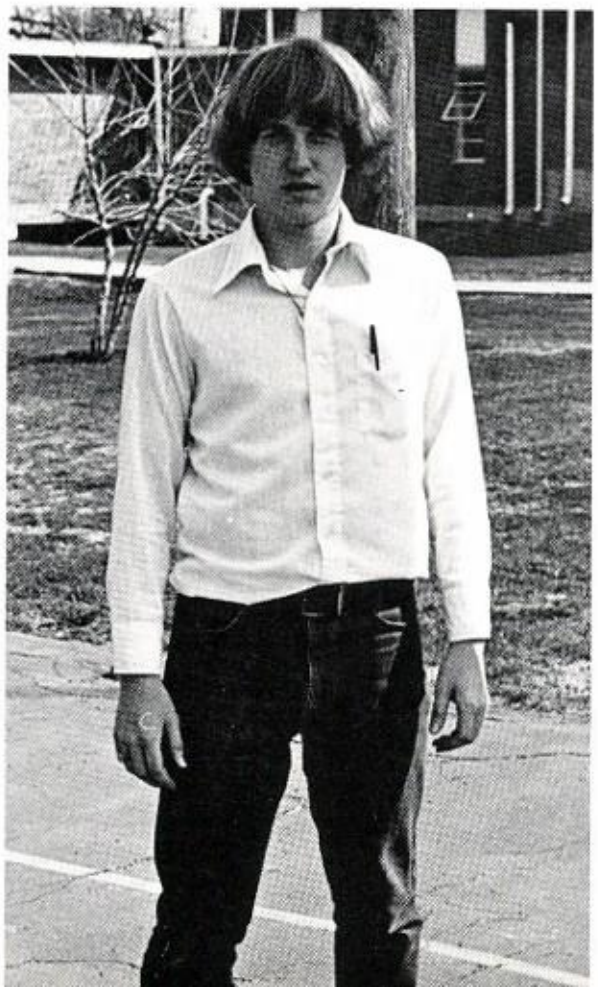
# State Ager's

Agriculture State Contest was held April 19-20 in Columbia. Qualifying for State were: Soils Team—Matt Stoner, Scott Deatz, Jim Garst, Larry Kennell. Poultry Team—Mike Leisman, Bob Stanton, Marlene Haynes, Don Perry. The soils team placed 32nd out of 60 teams and received a group 3 rating. The poultry team placed 25th out of 40 teams and obtained a 3 rating.

Poultry Team.

Soils Team.

Duane Schierkolk, Vocal Solo.



Girls Sextet.

# State Vocalists

Saxophone Quartet.

Clarinet Trio.

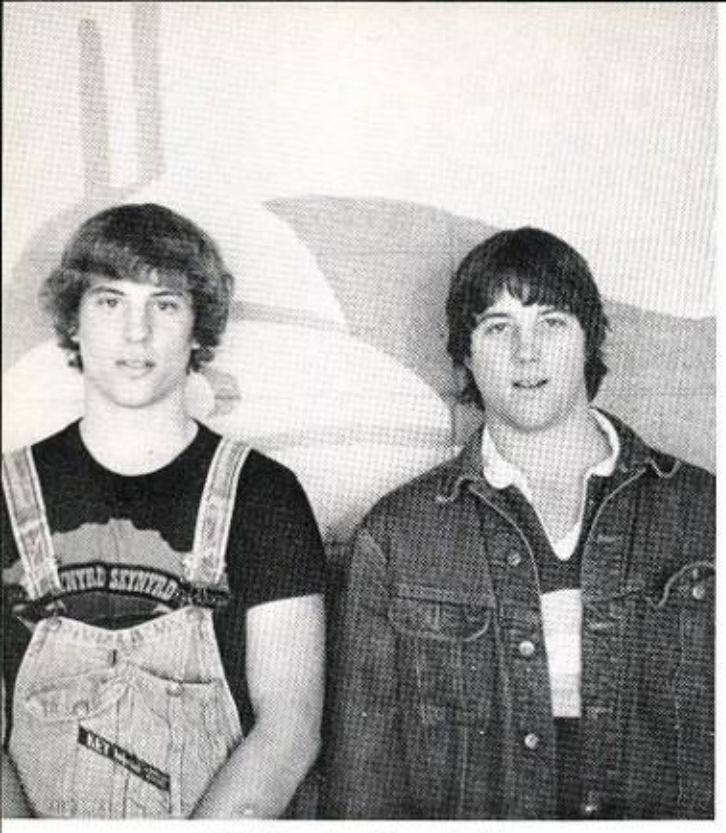
Saxophone Sextet.

Flute Trio.

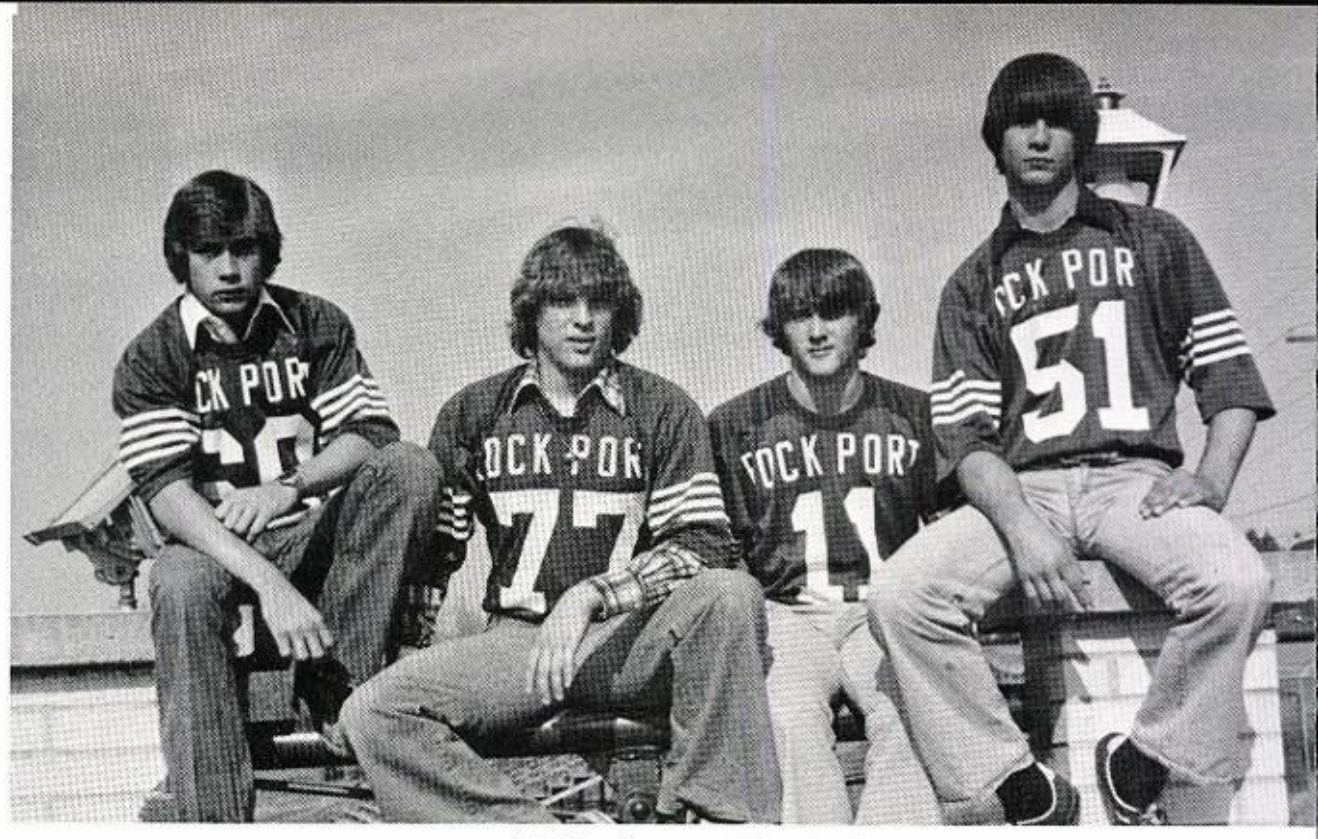
# State Music

Rock Port high school had 20 students participating in State Music Contest at Columbia on April 27. The following ensembles and soloists competed: Jana Stoner (flute solo); Kim Scamman (bassoon solo); Marcia Mulvania (saxophone solo); Julie Chapple (clarinet solo); Duane Schierkolk (vocal solo); Jana Stoner, Marieann Smith, Laura Corken (flute trio); Julie Chapple, Julie Mobley, Kim Scamman (clarinet trio); Junior Squires, Susan Thompson, Amy Duntz, Pam Mobley (saxophone quartet); Marcia Mulvania, Becky Groff, Bev Haynes, Sherry Kennell, Duane Schierkolk, Dave Hudson (saxophone sextet); Valerie Herron, Julia Groff, Christy Armstrong, Julie Chapple, Mary Ann Lytle, Julie Mobley (vocal sextet). At left: Soloists.

Receiving "I" at state were: Jana Stoner, Julie Chapple, Julie Mobley, Kim Scamman, Pam Mobley, Amy Duntz, Susan Thompson, Juniors Squires, Marcia Mulvania, Bev Haynes, Sherry Kennell, Becky Groff, Duane Schierkolk, Dave Hudson.



All-District Football.



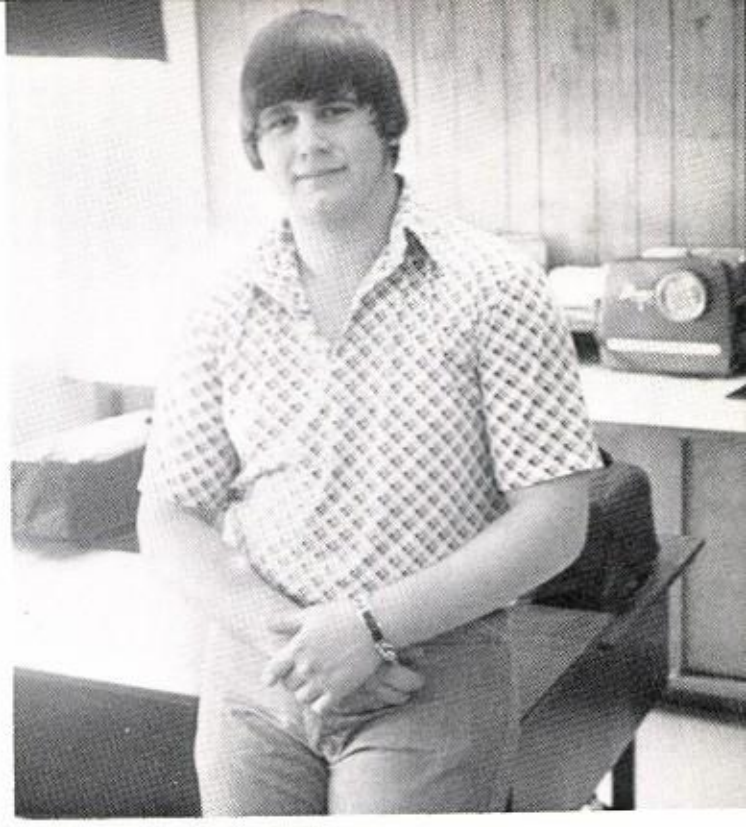
All-Conference Football.

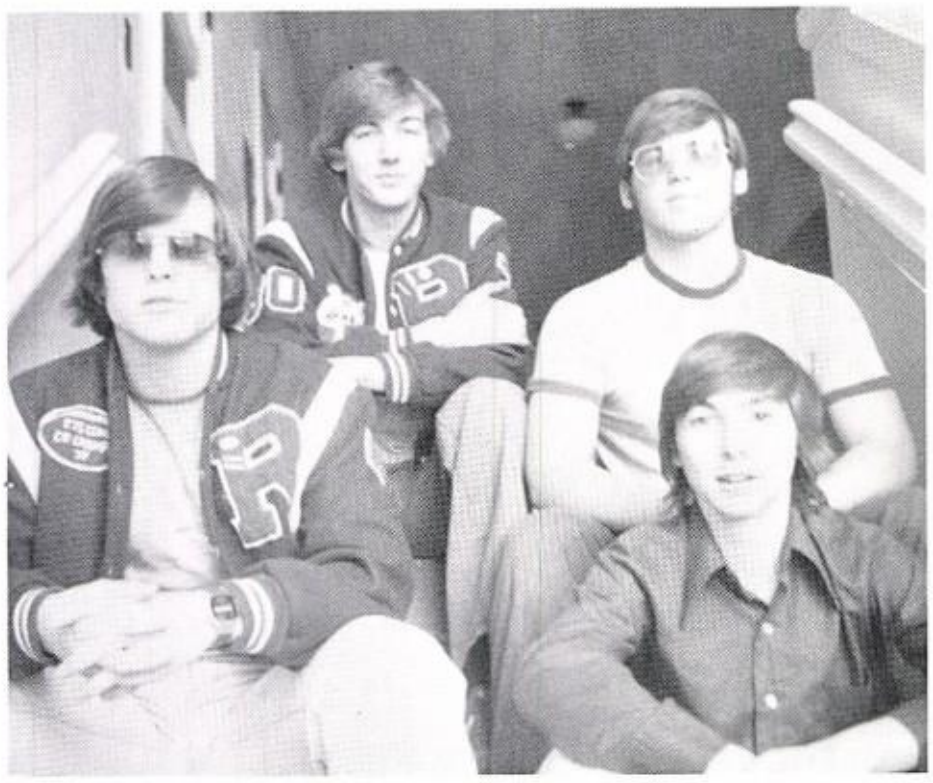
# Top Athletes

All-Conference Football: Garry Garst, senior linebacker; Shawn Mulvania, senior tackle; Chris Chamberlain, junior honorable mention running back; Kevin Sutter, senior center. Making All-District for Rock Port were Shawn Mulvania and Jody Ellison. Jody also made All-State as a defensive lineman. Chosen for second team All-Conference basketball were Lisa Wharton and Marlene Haynes shown at right.

The boys qualifying for state in track, Row 1: Jody Ellison, discus; Audie Jackson, 880 yard relay. Row 2: Gary Soske, high hurdles; Bill Alloway, 880 yard relay; Rod Clark, 100, 220, and 440 yard dashes, 880 yard relay; Chris Chamberlain, 100 yard dash, long jump, 880 yard relay; and Mike Nielsen, mile, 2-mile. Those placing in the state track meet included: Chris Chamberlain, first in the 100 yard dash, 10.6 seconds, fourth in the long jump, 19 ft. 11½ in.; Rod Clark, seventh in the 100 yard dash, third in the 220 yard dash, 23.4 seconds, first in the 440 yard dash, 50.91 seconds; Mike Nielsen, fifth in the mile, 4-40.5, fourth in the 2-mile, 10-14; and the 880 yard relay placed first, 8033.83.

The girls qualifying for state in track, Row 1: Lynda Danley, shot; Helena Basham, 880 yard relay; Susan Freeman 880 yard relay, mile relay. Row 2: Brooke Cooper, 2-mile relay; Shawna Heits, 880 yard run, 2-mile relay; Susan Thompson, 440 yard dash, 880 yard relay, mile relay. Row 3: Julia Groff, 880 yard run, mile relay, 2-mile relay; Pam Mobley, 880 yard relay, mile relay. Those placing in the state track meet included: Susan Thompson, fifth in the 440 yard dash, 62.3 seconds; Julia Groff, eighth in the 880 yard run; 880 yard relay, eighth; mile relay, third, 4-17.4; and the 2-mile relay, second, 10-44.64.





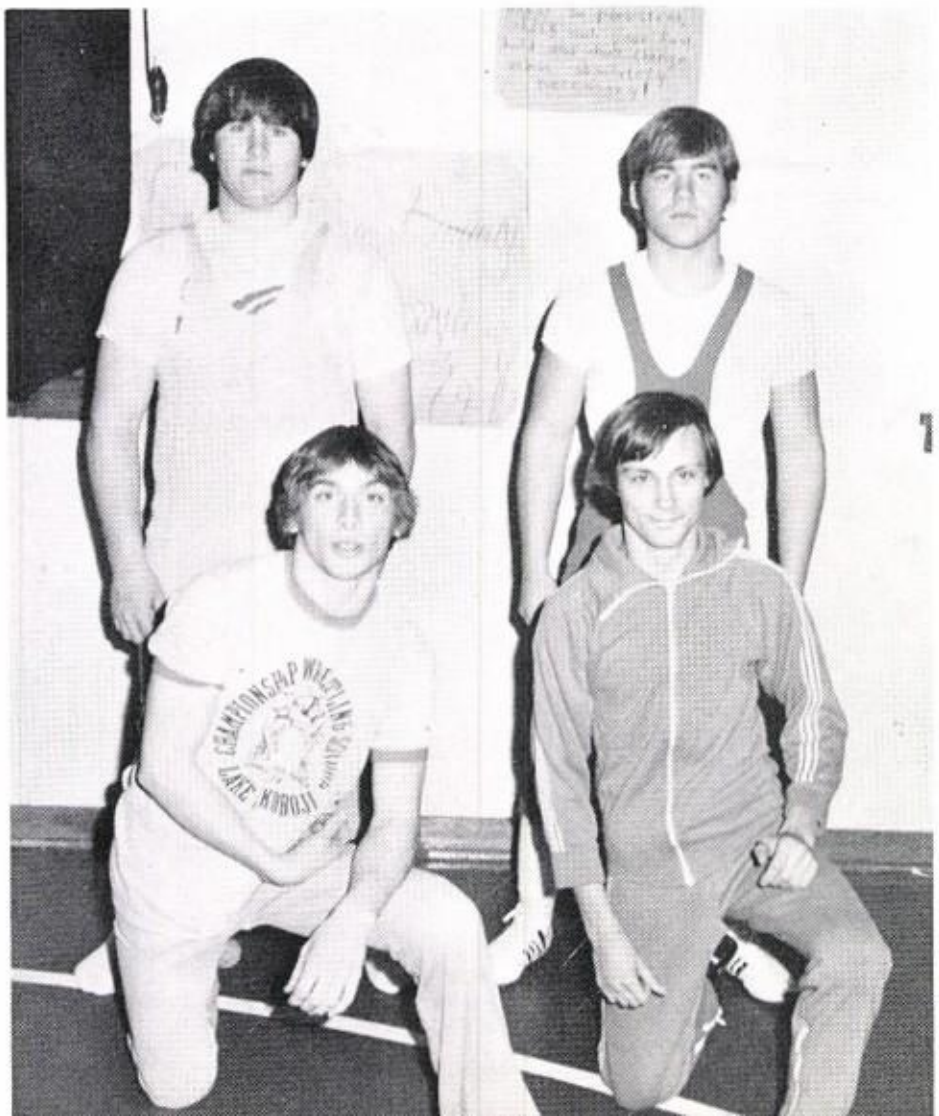
# Soph. Pilgrimage

Zel Fischer was elected Sophomore Pilgrim by the sophomore class to represent them at the Sophomore Pilgrimage in Jefferson City. He will tour the capital building and learn more about the government system in Missouri. Renee Powers was chosen as alternate for the trip. The Sophomore Pilgrimage is sponsored by the Continental Club.

# At State

Paula Peck and Nancy Edwards were the junior girls selected to represent Rock Port at Girls State. Paula was sponsored by the American Legion Auxilary and Nancy was sponsored by Beta Sigma Phi. Girls State was held for one week in Fulton, MO, where they learned the functions of state and local governments. Girl Staters are pictured above: Paula Peck, Cindy Walker (alternate), Shawna Heits (alternate), and Nancy Edwards.

Representing the boys at Boys State were, Row 1: Matt Stoner, sponsored by the American Legion; Nathan Schaffner, sponsored by Citizens Bank. Row 2: Todd Salfrank, sponsored by Chamber of Commerce; Larry Kennell, sponsored by Bank of Atchison County. Boys State was held for one week in Warrensburg at Central Missouri State University, where they learned the functions of state and local governments.



# District Wrestlers

Top Blue Jay wrestlers, at left, who placed in All Districts at Maysville were, Row 1: Jim Knierim, 4th; Jim Watson, 4th. Row 2: Zel Fischer, 2nd; and Larry Kennell, 4th. In the Regionals at Lathrop, Kennell lost 6-2 to Eaton, who finished 3rd in state, Watson lost by a pin to Lehra, who finished 6th in state, and Knierim was unable to wrestle because of an injury. Fischer beat Gentry by a pin and made it to the first round at state. He lost his match 9-3.

# Presentation of Awards

GIRL ATHLETE OF THE YEAR–Laura Corken.

BOY ATHLETE OF THE YEAR–Rod Clark.

DRAMA AWARDS–Best Performer, All-School Play: Laura Shue. Outstanding Achievement: Duane Schierkolk. Outstanding Performers: Cindy Walker, Nathan Schaffner, Larry Kennell. Speech team: Laura Shue, Cindy Walker, Mike Burg, Nathan Schaffner, Julie Chapple, Jo Bermingham.

FHA AWARD–Cathy Rosenbohm.

OUTSTANDING HOME ECONOMICS STUDENT–Laura Shue.

AMERICAN LEGION AWARDS–Laura Corken, Sharmyn Steele, Jim Knierim, Gary Soske.

TYPING AWARDS–Sandie Morton (40), Connie Peterson (40), Carolyn Squires (43), Kim Kroll (44), Christy Muntz (44), Sharon Smyth (44), Cheryl Catlett (45), Stacy Gebhards (52).

SHORTHAND AWARD–Stacy Gebhards (70).

BOOKKEEPING AWARDS–Jana Stoner, Nathan Schaffner, Julie Chapple.

PUBLICATIONS–Yearbook Editor: Jana Stoner. Photographer: Matt Stoner.

MUSIC AWARDS–Chorus (Outstanding Boy): Jim Knierim. (Outstanding Girls): Brenda Perry and Laura Shue. (Accompanist): Paula Peck. Most Improved Band Student: Kim Scamman. Outstanding Senior Musician: Jana Stoner.

SOPHOMORE PILGRIMAGE–Zel Fischer.

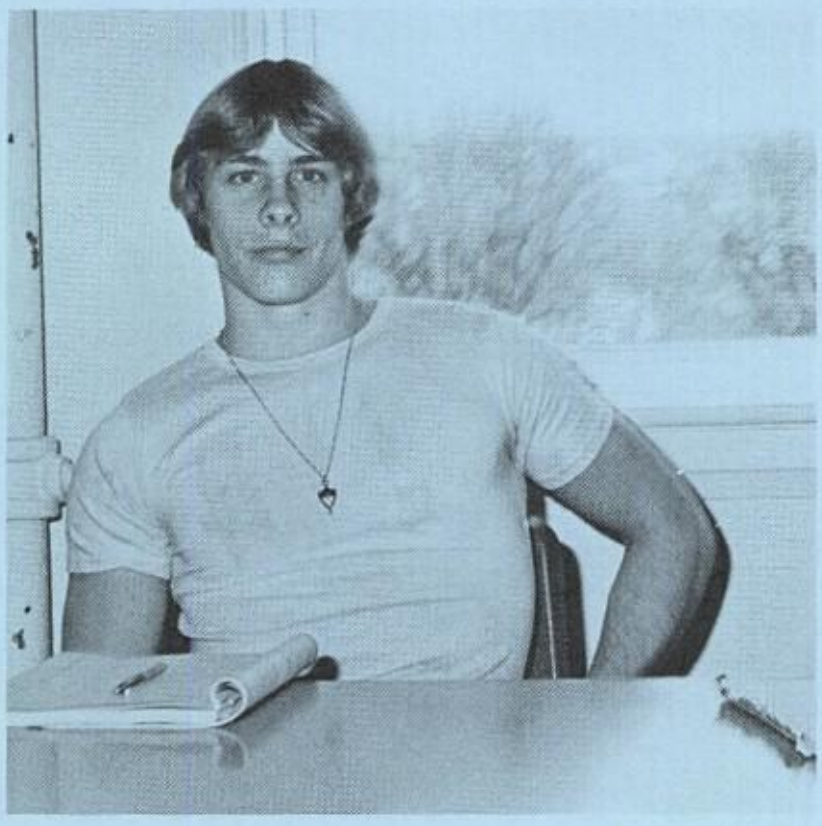
DANFORTH FOUNDATION (I Dare You Award)–Larry Kennell and Julie Chapple.

D.A.R. AWARD–Jana Stoner.

OUTSTANDING GOOD SCHOOL CITIZEN OF THE YEAR –Maria Mullins.

# Seniors

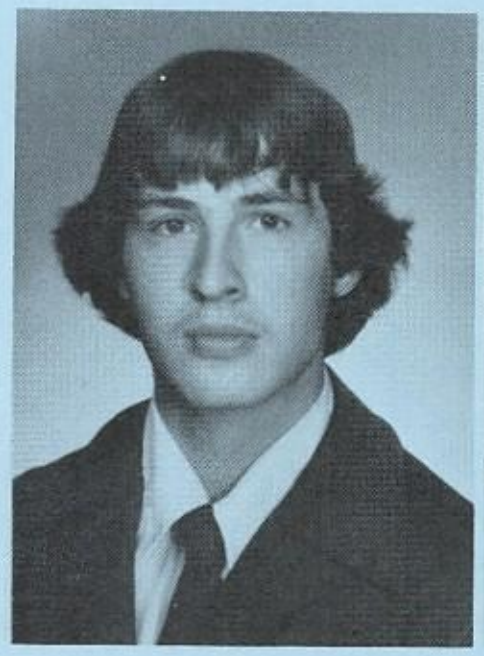
*Our todays and yesterdays are the blocks with which we build.*



*Class Motto:*
*Look to this day!*
*For yesterday is*
*already a dream,*
*and tomorrow is*
*only a vision.*

Angie Alley

Helena Basham



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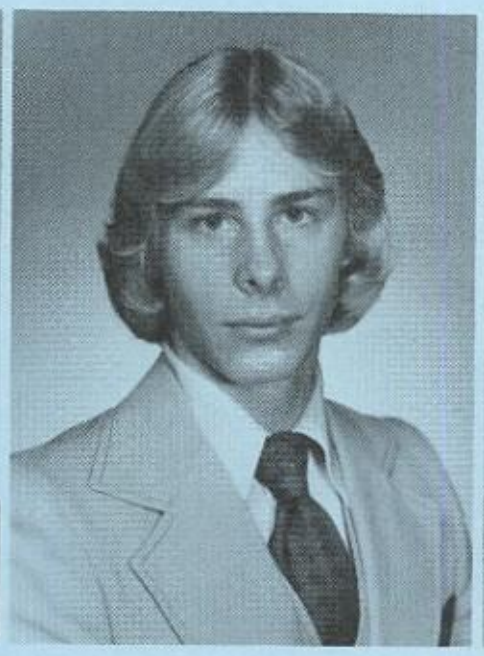

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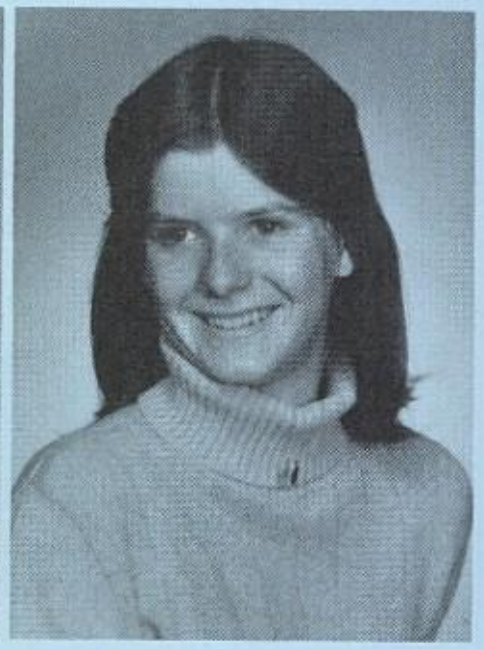
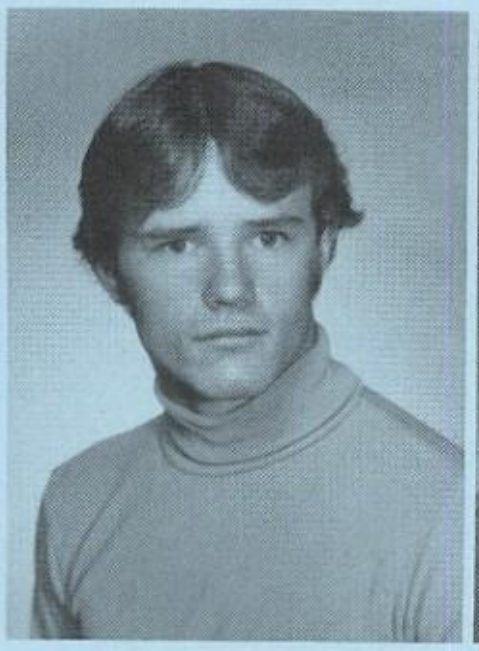
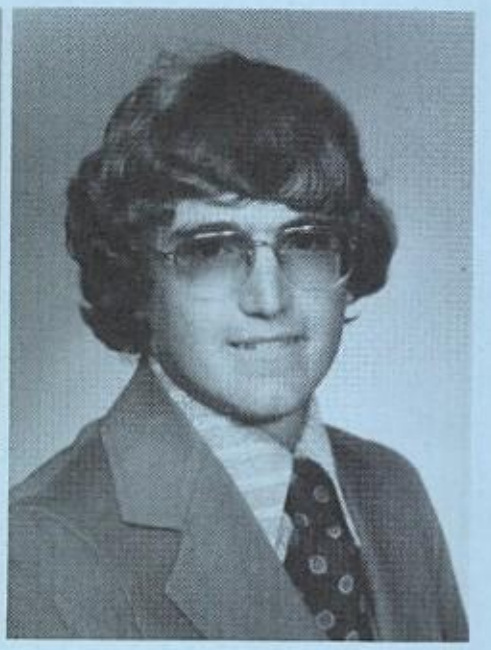


Mary Cook

Laura Corken
Vice-President

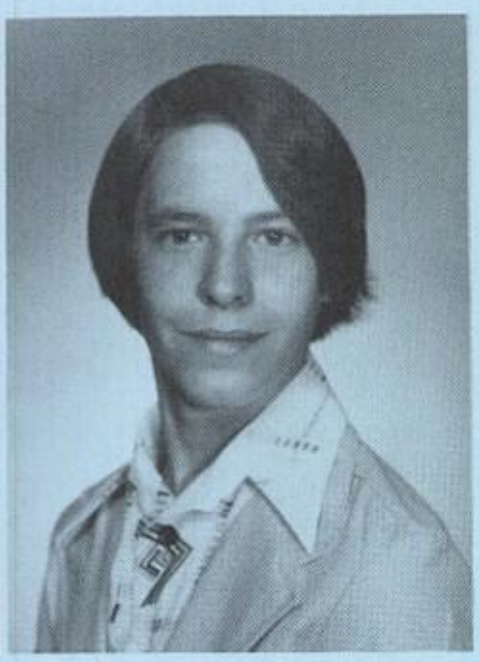


Mike Danley



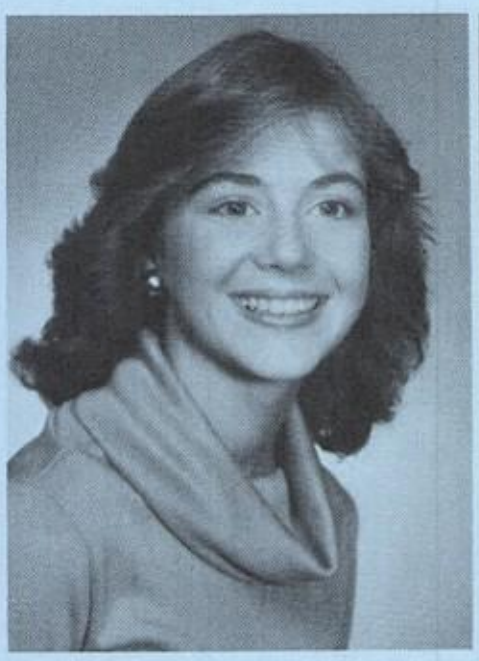
Scott Deatz

Sheila Easley



Chris Edmonds

## *Class Flower: Carnation*



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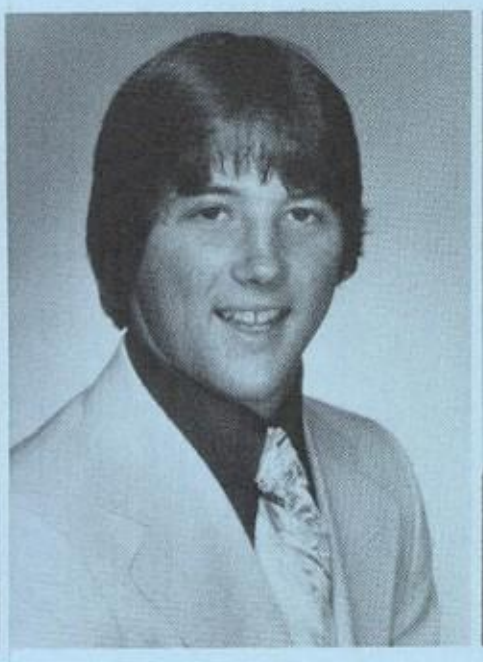

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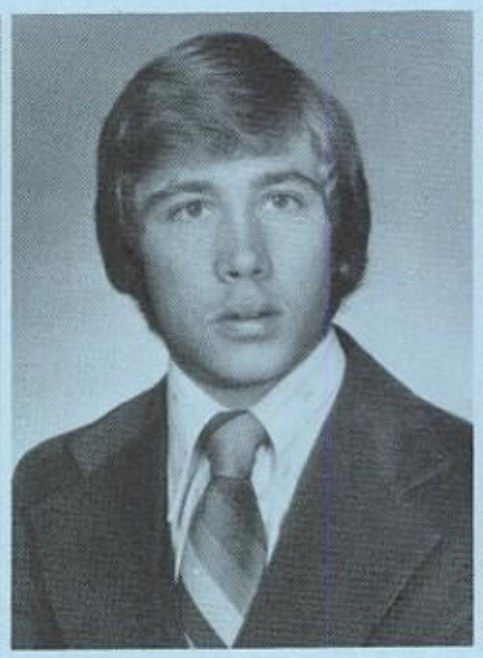

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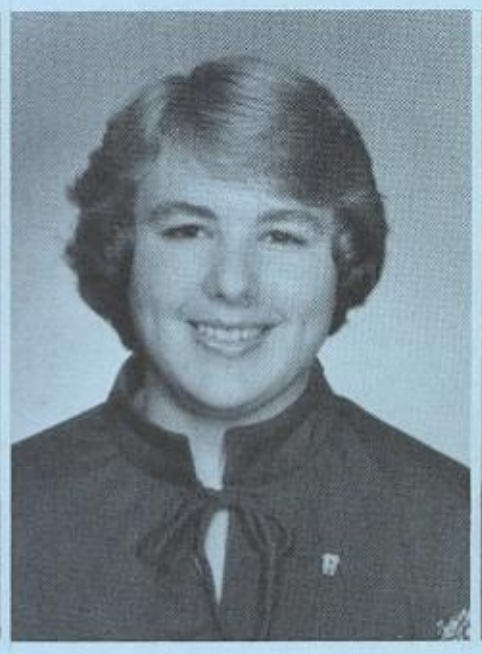

Marissa Heits
President

Leslie Judson

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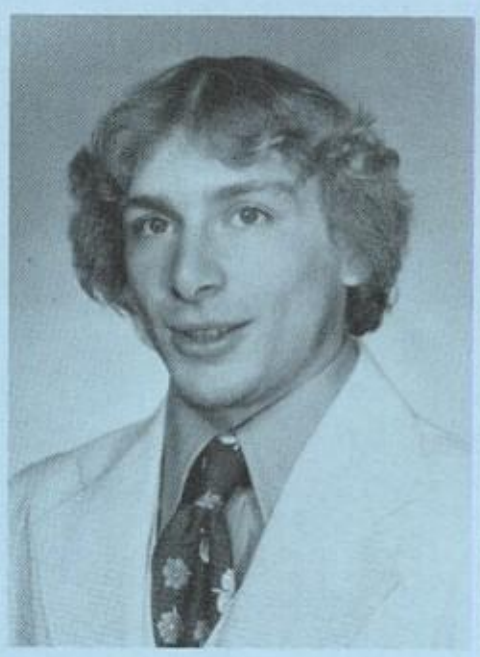

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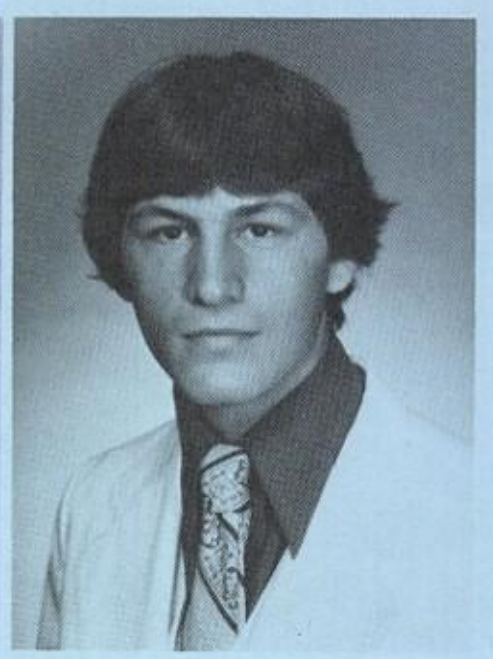
Student Council



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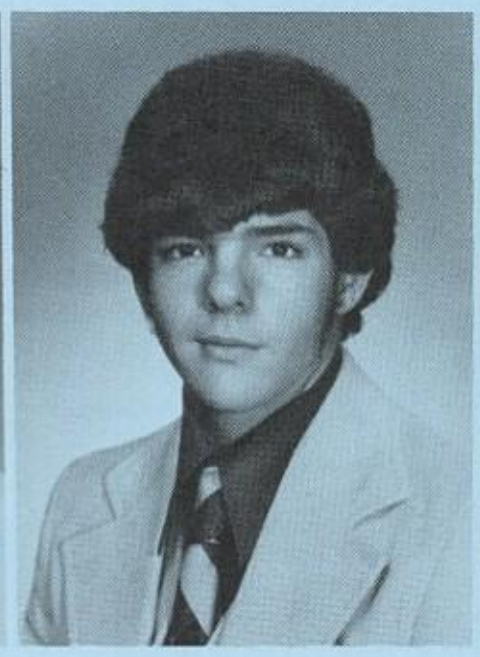

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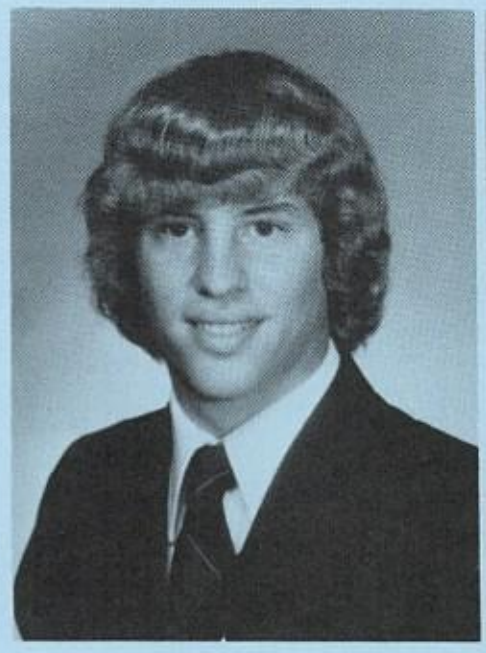
Elaine McMahon
Student Council

Maria Mullins



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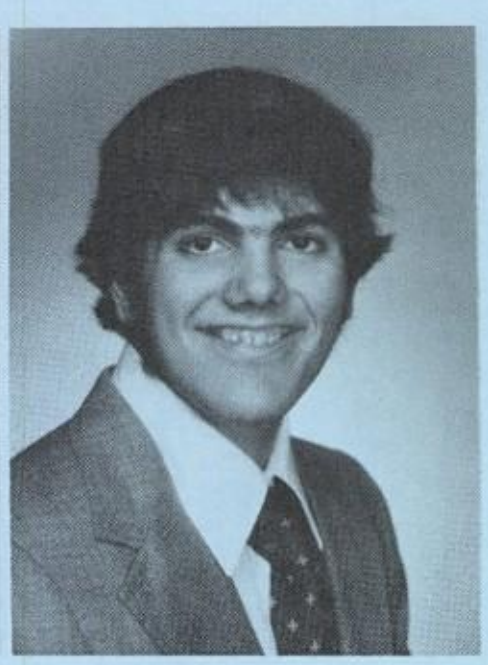
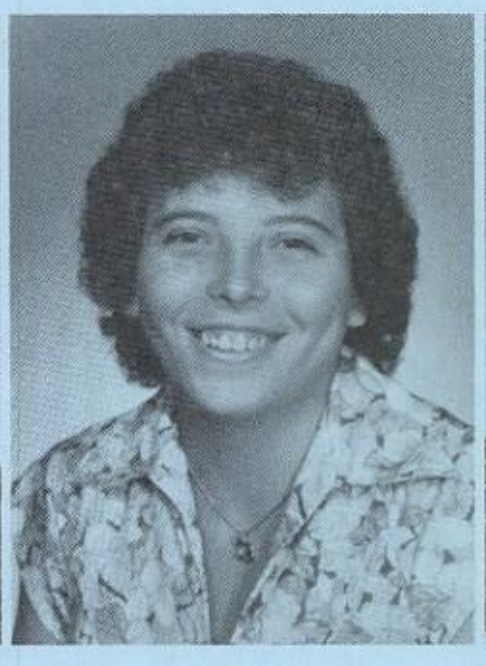


Mike Pierce

## *Class Song:*
## *Free Bird*

Martha Roberts



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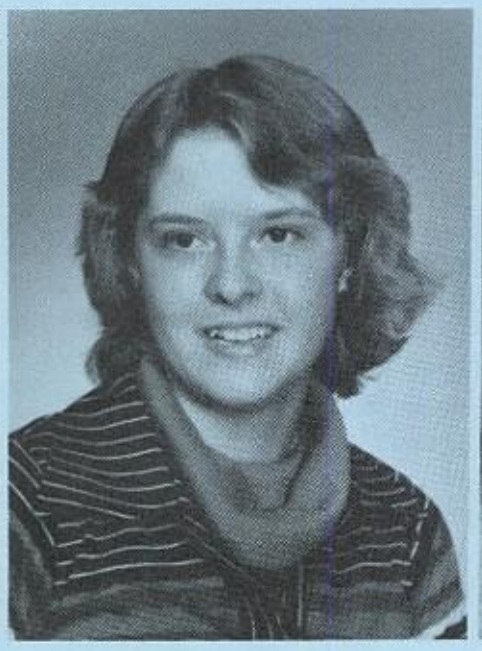

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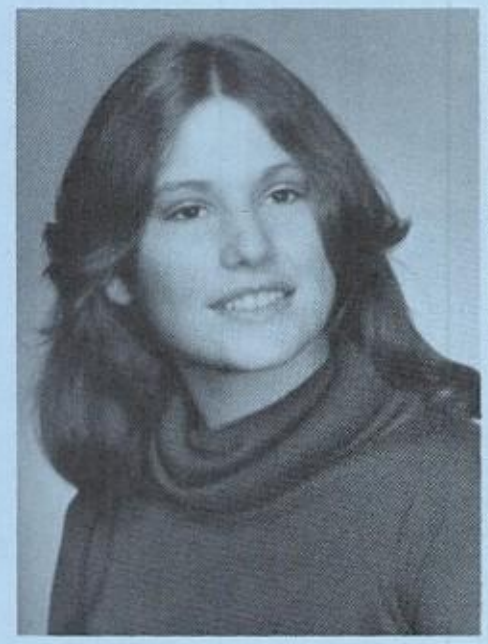

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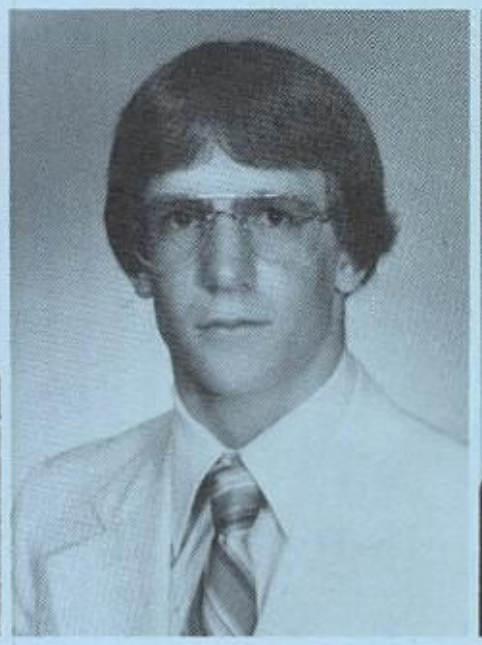

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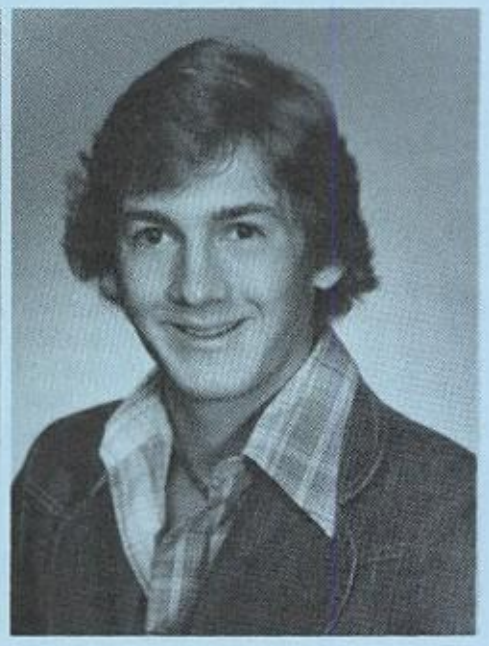

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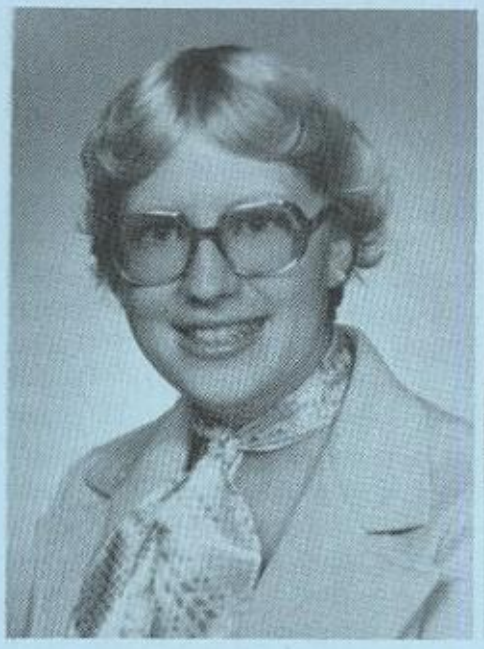
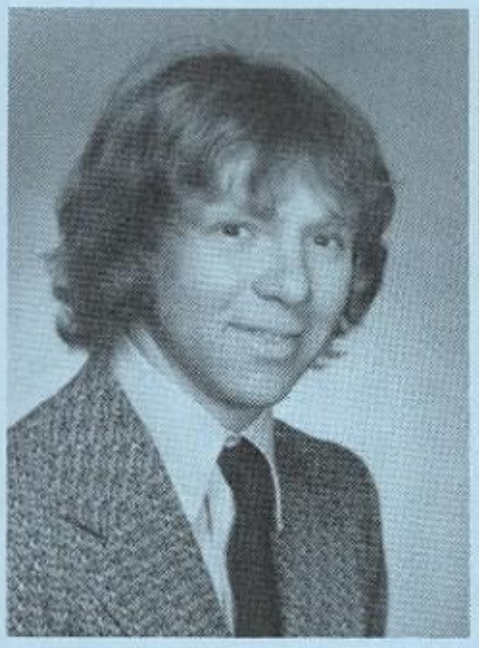
Student Body President

# Commencement:
# May 20, 1979



Sharmyn Steele
Treasurer

Jana Stoner
Secretary



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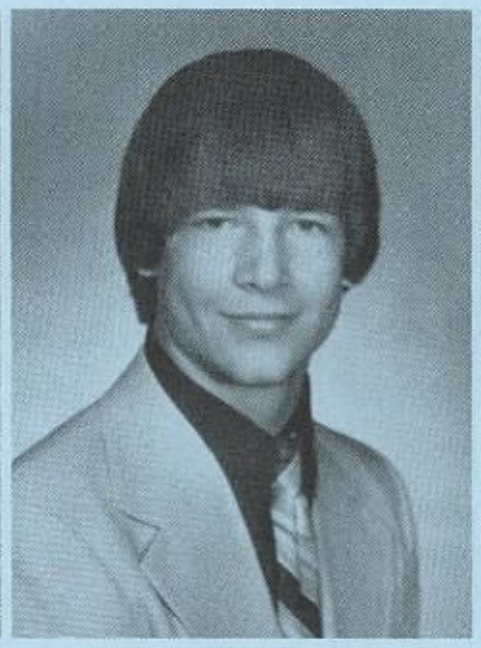

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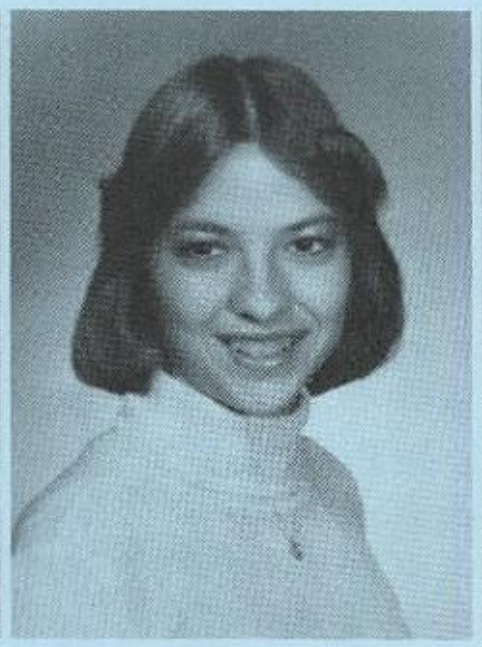

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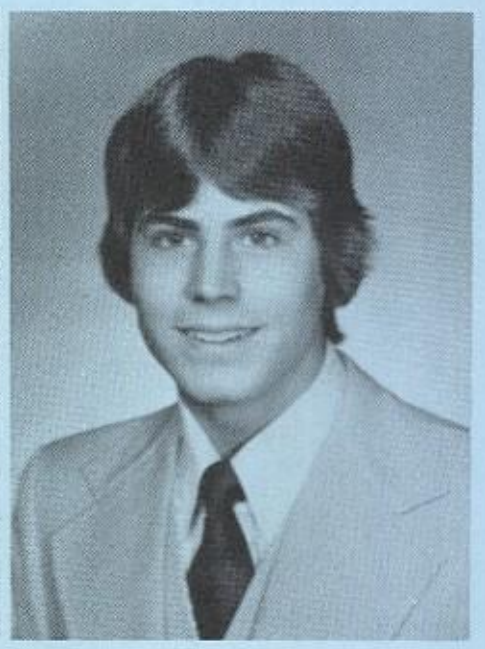

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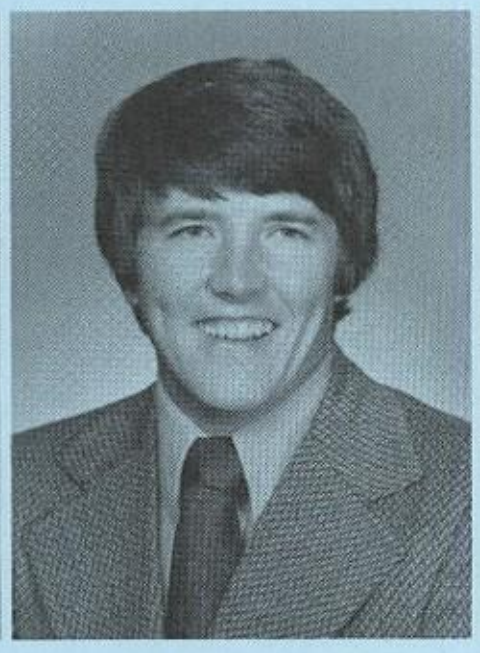

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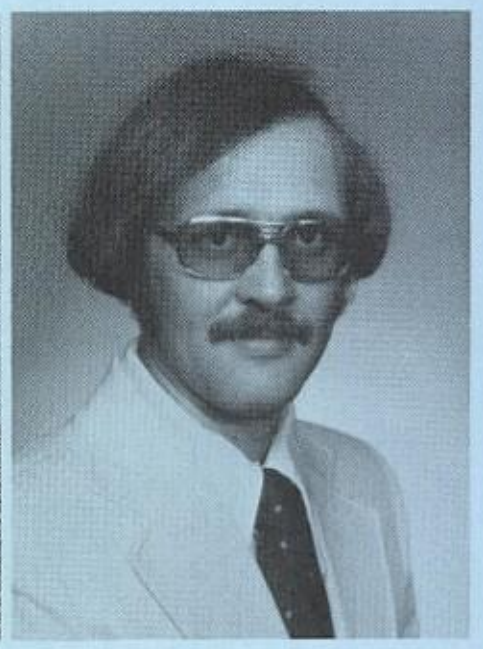

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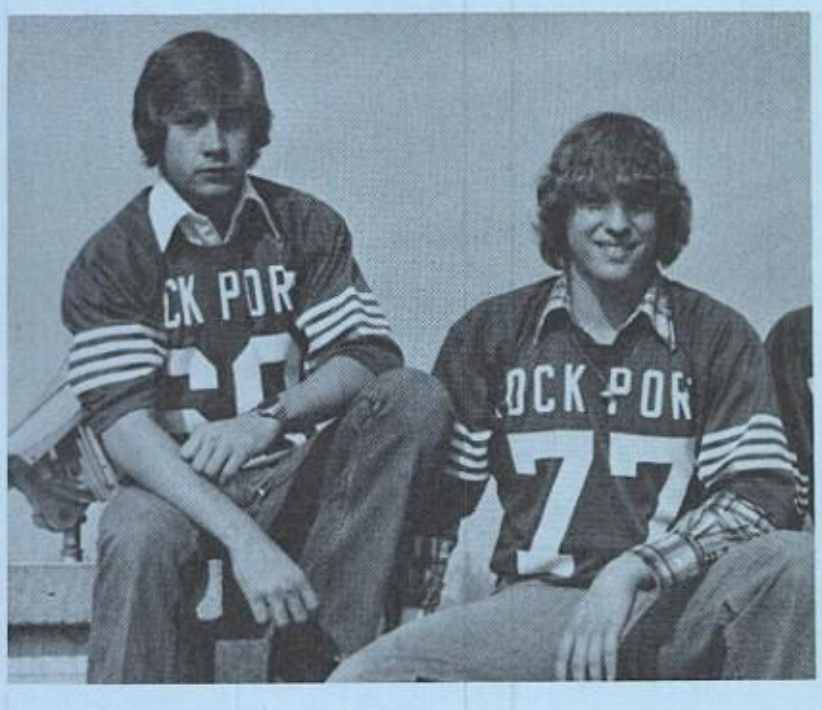
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ANGIE ALLEY–Track–1; Speech and Drama Club–2,3,4.

HELENA BASHAM–Varsity Cheerleader–4; Pep Club 3,4; Basketball–3,4; Basketball Homecoming Attendant–3; Basketball Queen Candidate–4; Football Queen Candidate–4; FHA–4; Barnwarming Queen Candidate–4; Track–3,4; Shorthand Award–3; Chorus–3; District Music Contest–3; Girls R-Club–4; Flag Corps–4; Business Contest–4; Attended Farragut High School–1,2.

JOHN BUTTERCASE–FFA–1,2,3,4; AOE–4; Ag Mech Award–4.

RODNEY CLARK–FFA–1,2,3,4; Boys State–3; R-Club–1,2,3,4; Secretary-Treasurer–4; Football–1,2,3,4; Wrestling–1,2,3,4; Co-Captain–4; Track–1,2,3,4; Boy Athlete of the Year–4.

MARY COOK–Play Crew–1,2,3,4; Speech and Drama Club–2,3,4; FHA–2,3,4; Librarians–1,2,3; Chorus–1,2; Speech Team–4.

LAURA CORKEN–Student Council–1,3; Pep Club–1,2,3,4; Spanish Club–1,2,3; Foreign Language Club–4; Vice-President–2,3; Golf–1,2,3,4; Captain–4; Basketball–1,2,3,4; Track–2; Good School Citizen–1; County Government Day–1; Class Treasurer–2; Class Vice-President–4; Prom Server–2; Girls R-Club–2,3,4; Vice-President–4; Varsity Cheerleader–2,3,4; Head–4; Math Club–2,3; Science Club–1,2,3; Twirler–2,3,4; Head–3; Band–1,2,3,4; State Music Contest–2,3,4; Sophomore Pilgrimage–2; Typing Award–2; Publications–3; Math Contest–2,3; Football Homecoming Attendant–3; National Honor Society–3,4; Vice-President–4; Math and Science Club–4; Danforth I Dare You Award–3; American History Award–1; Football Homecoming Queen–4; Highest GPA–1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students–4; Girl Athlete of the Year–4; American Legion Award–4.

MIKE DANLEY–Football–1,2; Wrestling–1,2,3,4; Wrestling Homecoming King–4; Outdoor Track–1,2,3,4; Indoor Track–4; R-Club–2,3,4; Vice-President–4; COE–4.

SCOTT DEATZ–FFA–1,2,3,4; District Ag Contest–1,2,3,4; State AG Contest–3,4; Treasurer–4; Band–1,2,3,4; Boys State–3; Publications–3.

SHEILA EASLEY–Chorus–1,2,3,4; Basketball–1; Track–1; Speech and Drama Club–2; Junior Play–3; COE–4.

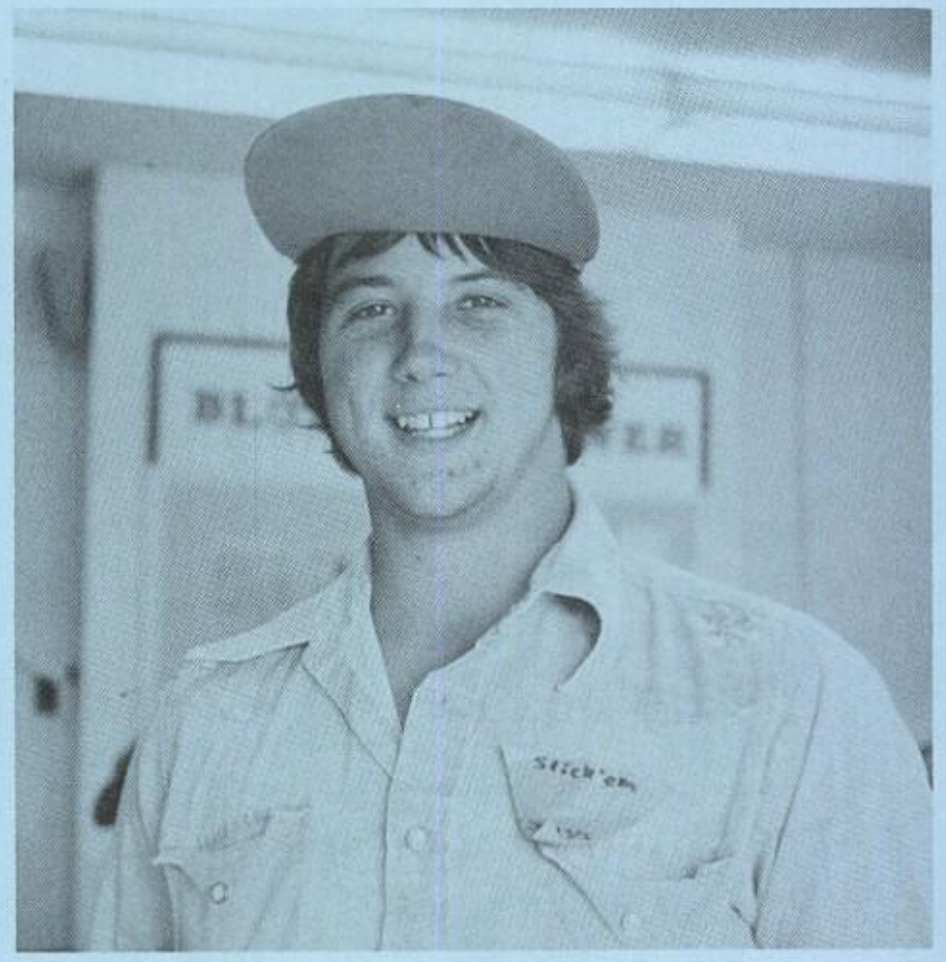
CHRIS EDMONDS–Band–1,2; Chorus–4.

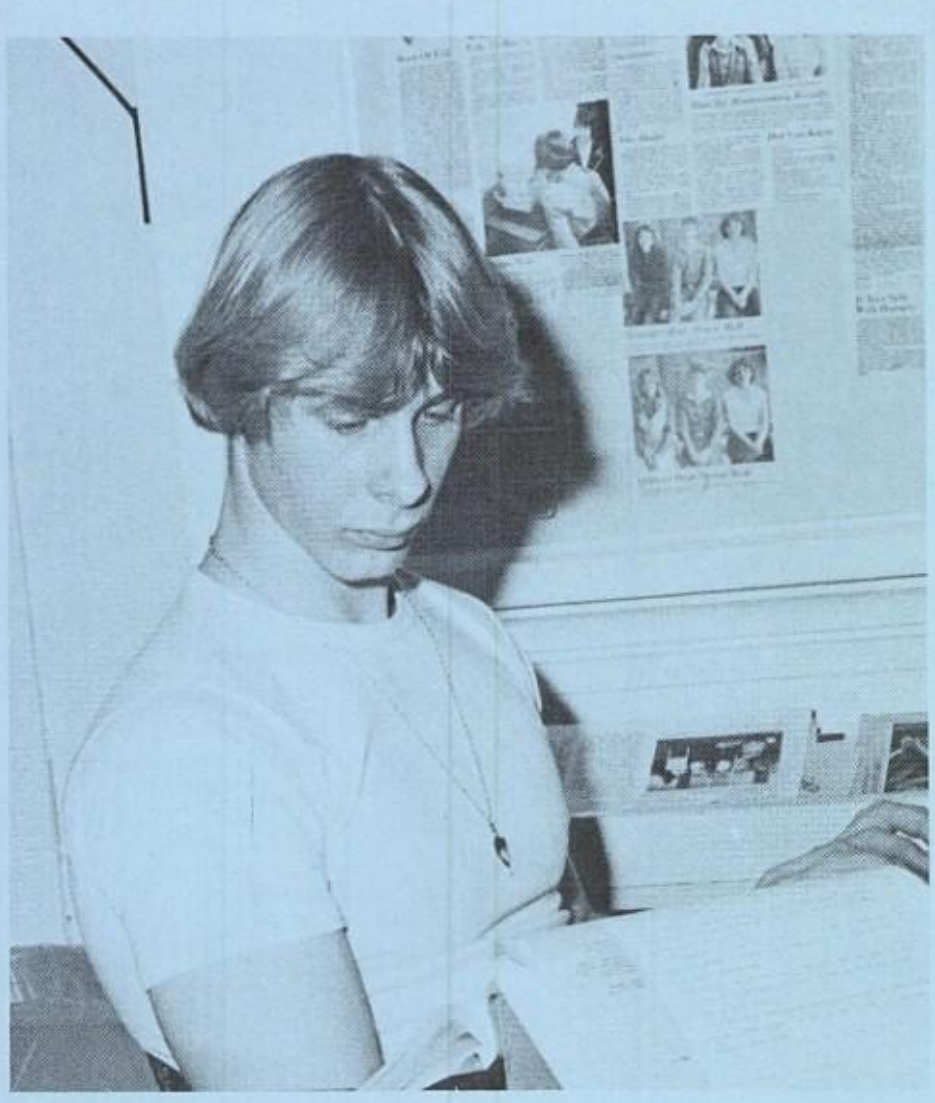
DEBBIE ELLISON–Librarians–3; Pep Club–3; Speech and Drama Club–3,4; FHA–4; Speech Contest–4; Chorus–4; Track–3; District Music Contest–4; All School Play–4.

JODY ELLISON–Football–1,2,3,4; Basketball–1,2,3,4; Track–2,4; FFA–1,2,3,4; Publications–4; Basketball Homecoming King–4.

GARRY GARST–Football–1,2,3,4; All-Conference–4; FFA–1,2,3,4; District Ag Contest–2,3; State Ag Contest–2,3; Reporter, Star Chapter Farmer, Leadership Award–4; Baccalaureate Escort–3; National Honor Society–3,4; Band–1,2; Christmas Ball King Candidate–4.

STACY GEBHARDS–Pep Club–1,2; B-Team Cheerleader–1,2; Band–1,2,3,4; Student Council–4; District Music Contest–1,2,3,4; Stage Music Contest–1,2; Stage Band–2,3,4; Clarinda Band Day Jamboree Queen Candidate–4; Spanish Club–1,2,3; Foreign Language Club–4; Student Council–1,2,3; Math Club–2,3; Science Club–1,2,3; Math and Science Club–4; County Government Day–1; Publications–3,4;





Typing Award–2,4; Shorthand Award–4; Who's Who Among American High School Students–3; Girls State Alternate–3; Business Contest–4.

MARLENE HAYNES–Basketball–1,2,3,4; Girls R-Club–2,3,4; President–4; FFA–1,2,3,4; State Ag Contest–3,4; Mardi Gras Queen–2; Baccalaureate Usher–3; Second Team All-Conference–3,4; COE–4; Track–1,2; Prom Server–2; Wrestlette–4; Wrestling Homecoming Queen–4; Chorus–1,2.

MARISSA HEITS–Band–1,2,3,4; Student Council–2; Vice-President–4; Basketball Manager–1,2; Track–1,2,3,4; French Club–2,3; Librarians–2,3; Sophomore Pilgrimage Alternate–2; State Music Contest–3; Junior Class Play–3; Speech and Drama Club–3,4; Secretary-Treasurer–4; National Honor Society–3,4; Foreign Language Club–4; President–4; Math and Science Club–4; President–4; Senior Class President–4; Who's Who Among American High School Students–3,4.

JIM KNIERIM–Football–1,2,3,4; Wrestling–1,2,3,4; Co-Captain–4; Districts–1,2,3,4; Regionals–2,3,4; Track–1; R-Club–1,2,3,4; Secretary–3; President–4; Science Club–2; Math Club–2; FTA–2,4; Secretary–4; Football Homecoming King–4; Band–1,2,3,4; District Music Contest–2; Swing Choir–1,3,4; Jazz Band–1,2,3,4; Prom Server–2; Business Contest–4; National Honor Society–3,4; Boys State–3; Student Council–1,2,3,4; Junior Play–3; All School Musical–4; County Government Day–1; American Legion Award–4; Outstanding Boy Chorus Member–4.

BILL LAVERENTZ–Football–1,3,4; Wrestling–1,2,3; Honor Society–3,4; Math Contest–2,3,4; Math and Science Club–2,3,4; Commencement Usher–3; Prom Server–2; Mardi Gras King Candidate–1; Football Homecoming Attendant–3; Good School Citizen–4; Boys State–3; CTA–1.

MICHELLE LOADER–Track–3; Girls R-Club–4; Chorus–4; Publications–4; FFA–1.

GAVIN MC CALL–Football–1,2,3,4; FFA–2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students–3; COE–4.

ELAINE MC MAHON–Basketball–1,2,3,4; R-Club–2,3,4; Treasurer–3,4; Track–1,2; FFA–1,2,3; Prom Server–2; Commencement Usher–3; Christmas Ball Attendant–3; Queen–4; Publications–3; Band–1; Pep Club–1; County Government Day–1; Student Council–2,3,4; COE–4; Typing Award–4; State Ag Contest–3; Mardi Gras Queen–1; Basketball Homecoming Attendant–1.

MARIA MULLINS–Track–1; Basketball–2,3; Math Club–1; Band–1,2,3,4; Pep Club–1; Class Treasurer–1; Librarians–2,3; FFA–2,3; French Club–2,3; Golf–4; Outstanding School Citizen–4.

SHAWN MULVANIA–Football–1,2,3,4; All-Conference–4; All-District–4; All-State Second Team–4; Homecoming Attendant–2; Basketball–1,2,3,4; Basketball Homecoming Attendant–1,3; Basketball Homecoming King Candidate–4; Track–2,4; FFA–1,2,3,4; District Ag Contest–2,3; State Ag Contest–2,3; County Government Day–1; Math Club–2; Science Club–2; Prom Server–2.

MARY NEEMANN–FFA–1,2.

SHARMON NIELSEN–Band–1,2; Chorus–3,4.

BRENDA PERRY–FHA–2,3,4; Secretary–4; Swing Choir–3,4; Treasurer–3; President–4; National Honor Society–3,4; Student Council–4; Barnwarming Attendant–2; Barnwarming Queen Candidate–4; Pep Club–1,2,3,4; Treasurer–4; Football Homecoming Queen Candidate–4; Christmas Ball Attendant–2; Christmas Ball Queen Candidate–4; Chorus–2,3,4; COE–4; County Government Day–1; Junior Play–3; Publications–3,4; Typing Award–3; Band–1; District Music Contest–1,2,3,4; Outstanding Girl Chorus Member–4.

MIKE PIERCE–Wrestling–3,4; FFA–4; COE–4.

MARTHA ROBERTS–FHA–1,2,3,4; Chorus–1,2,3,4; Track–1,2,4; Librarians–2,3,4; Pep Club–1,3,4; FTA–2; Speech and Drama Club–4; Football Homecoming Attendant–1; Barnwarming Attendant–1,2; Christmas Ball Queen Candidate–4; Girls R-Club–2,3,4.

CATHLEEN ROSENBOHM–FHA–4; Chorus–1; COE–4; Outstanding Home Ec Student–4.

KATHY SCHULTZ–Pep Club–2; FHA–4; Librarians–4; Basketball–2; Business Contest–4.

MARY SHAW–Girls R-Club–3,4; Secretary–4; Track–1,2,3,4; State Track–3; FHA–3,4; Student Council–4; Chorus–2; Spanish Club–2,3; Treasurer–3; French Club–1,2,3; Foreign Language Club–4; Mardi Gras Chairman–4; Librarians–2,3,4; President–4; Publications–4; Speech and Drama Club–3,4; Student Council–4; County Government Day–1; Junior Play Crew–3.

LAURA SHUE–Speech and Drama Club–2,3,4; President–4; Forensics Team–1,2,3,4; Junior Play–1,2,3; Senior Play–1,2,3; All School Musical–4; Best Actress–3,4; French Club–1,2,3; Historian–3; Mardi Gras Queen Candidate–3,4; FHA–3,4; Recreation Leader–4; Outstanding Member–4; Barnwarming Queen Candidate–3; Librarians–1,2,3; Science Club–2; Track–1,2; Chorus–4; Vice-President–4; Baccalaureate Usher–3; Blue Jay Relay Hostess–4; Outstanding

Speech Team Member–4; Outstanding Chorus Member–4.

GARY SOSKE–Football–1,2,3,4; Track–1,2,3,4; State Track–3,4; Basketball–1,2,3,4; Basketball Homecoming King Candidate–4; Golf–1,2; Math and Science Club–4; FFA–1,2,3,4; District Ag Contest–2,3,4; State Ag Contest–3; Junior Play–3; Boys R-Club–2,3,4; Treasurer–3; Student

Council–4; Publications–3; National Honor Society–3,4; FTA–4; President–4; Math Contest–3,4; Math Club–2,3; Science Club–1,2,3; American Legion Award–4.

BOB STANTON–Class President–1,2,3; American Government Day–1; Band–1,2,3; Christmas Ball Attendant–1,2,3; Christmas Ball King–4; Prom Server–2; Good School Citizen–2; FTA–2; Junior Play–3; All School Play–4; Mardi Gras Attendant–2; King–3; Student Body President–4; Vice-President–3; Commencement Escort–3; FFA–1,2,3,4; President–4; Barnwarming Attendant–1,2; King–3; District Ag Contest–2,3,4; State Ag Contest–3,4; Wrestling–4; Track–1; R-Club–4.

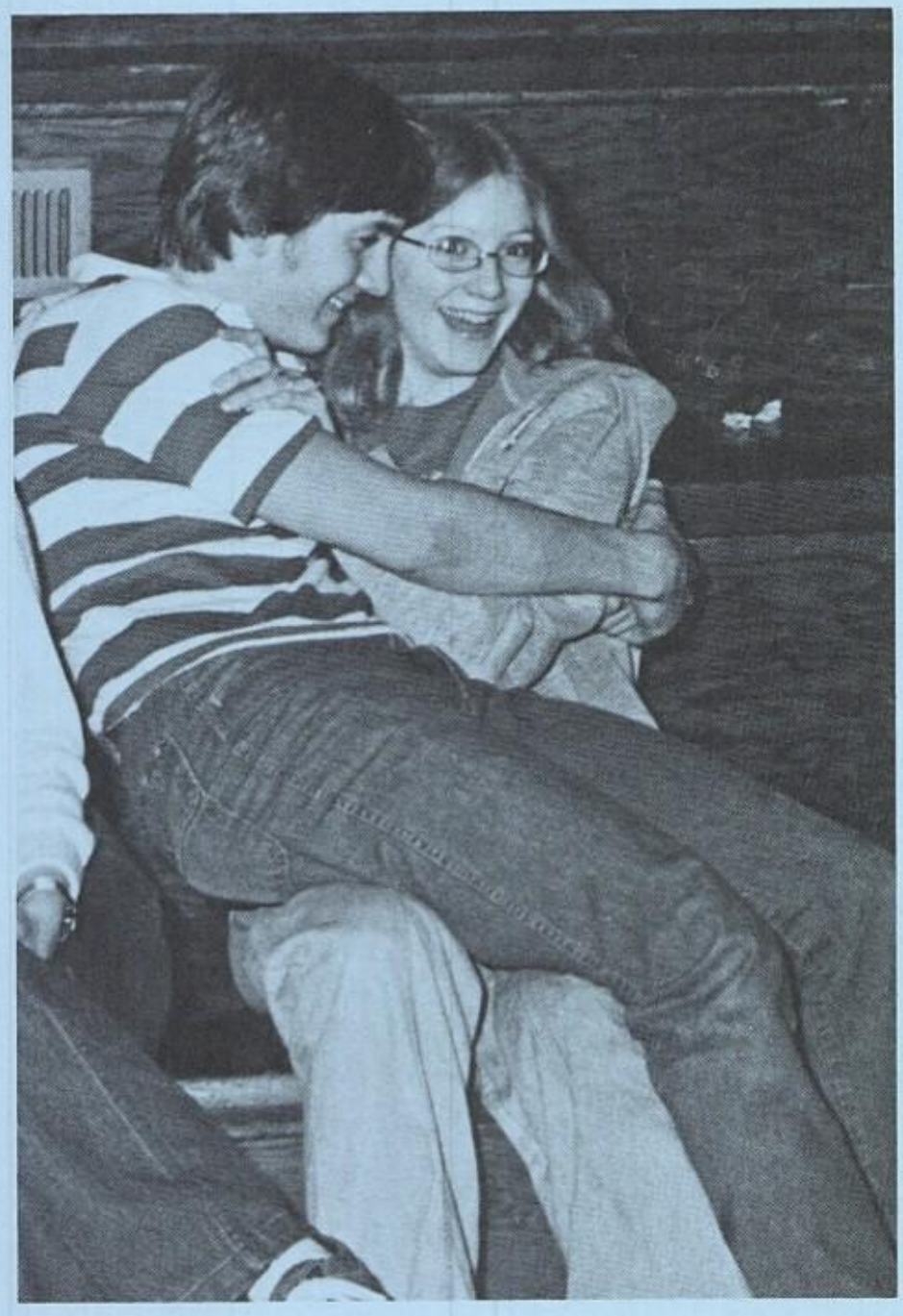
SHARMYN STEELE–Pep Club–1,2,3,4; National Honor Society–3,4; President–4; Band–1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play–3; All School Musical–4; Speech and Drama Club–2,3,4; Speech Team–3,4; Science and Math Club–2,3,4; Librarians–1,2,3,4; Basketball Manager–1,2,3,4; Track Manager–1,2,3,4; Math Contest–2,3,4; County Government Day–1; Class Treasurer–3,4; DAR American History Award–2; Who's Who Among American High School Students–4; Foreign

Language Club–1,2,4; Treasurer–1,2,4; President–3; District Speech Contest–3; Girls State–3; American Legion Award–4.

JANA STONER–Pep Club–1,2,3,4; President–4; Spanish Club–1,2,3; President–2; Foreign Language Club–4; Science Club–1,2,3; Math Club–2,3; Student Council–3; Math and Science Club–4; National Honor Society–3,4; Treasurer–4; Student Council–3,4; Secretary–4; Class Secretary–1,2,3,4; Band–1,2,3,4; Student Council–2; Secretary-Treasurer–3,4; Drum Majorette–4; District Music Contest–1,2,3,4; State Music Contest–2,3,4; Publications–3,4; Assistant Editor–3; Editor–4; Award–4; Basketball–2,3; County Government Day–1; Business Contest–2,4; Math Contest–2,3; Prom Server–2; Typing Award–2; Bookkeeping Award–4; Baccalaureate Escort–3; Good School Citizen–3; Junior Play Crew–3; Who's Who Among American High School Students –2,3; COE–4; Outstanding Senior Musician–4; DAR Award –4; Attendance Award–4.

JOE STRUTHERS–FFA–1,2,3; Science Club–1.

KEVIN SUTTER–Football–1,2,3,4; Co-Captain–4; All-Conference–3,4; FFA–1,2,3,4; R-Club–2,3,4; Sergeant of Arms –4; County Government Day–1; Student Council–3,4; Band



–1,2; AOE–4; National Honor Society–3,4; Attendance Award–4.

DANNYE UNDERWOOD–Pep Club–1,2,3,4; FHA–1,2,3,4; Reporter–3; President–4; Band–1,2,3,4; District Music Contest–3; Flag Corps–4; Librarians–2,3; French Club–3; Junior Play–3; Business Contest–3,4; Bookkeeping II Award–3.

MIKE WALKER–Football–1,2,3,4; Football Homecoming Attendant–4; Golf–2,3; Wrestling–2; Prom Server–2; Christmas Ball King Candidate–4; National Honor Society–3,4; Boys State–3; FFA–2,3,4; Reporter–4; County Government Day–1; Class Vice-President–3; Publications–3; Typing Award–2; Baccalaureate Usher–3; Who's Who Among American High School Students–3.

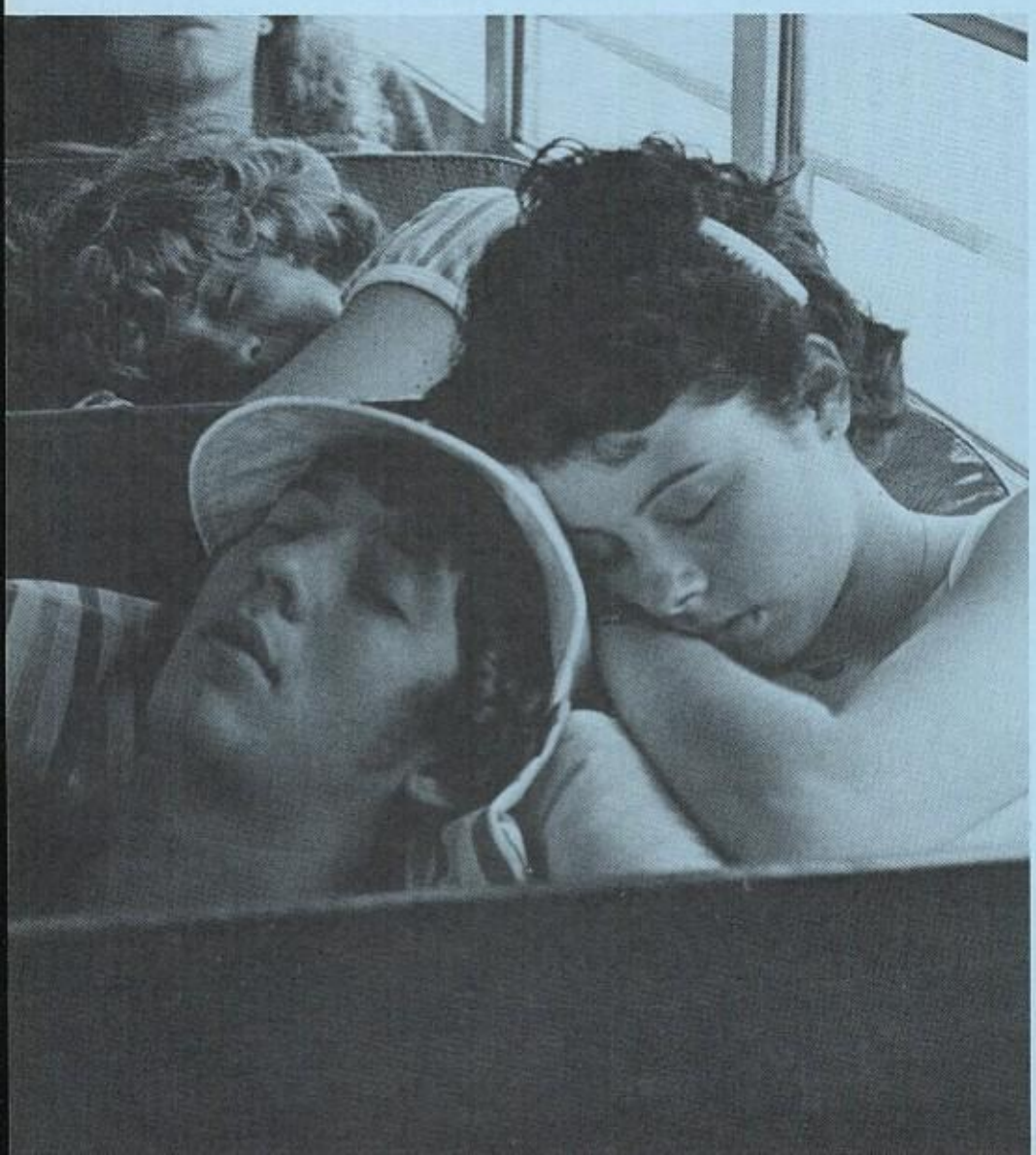
LISA WHARTON–Basketball–1,2,3,4; All-Conference Second Team–4; Basketball Homecoming Queen–4; Band–1,2, 3,4; Stage Band–4; District Music Contest–2,3,4; State Music Contest–1,2,3; Math Club–2,3; Math Contest–2; Pep Club–1,2,3; B-Team Cheerleader–1,2; Head–2; Varsity Cheerleader–3; Science Club–1,2,3; Student Council–3; Math and Science Club–4; Student Council–4; Spanish Club –1,2,3; Secretary–2,3; Foreign Language Club–4; Secretary –4; Student Council–3,4; National Honor Society–3,4; Secretary–4; Typing Award–2; Prom Server–2; Junior Play Crew–3; Class Vice-President–1,2; Girls State–3; Who's Who Among American High School Students–3; Girls R-Club–3, 4; Publications–3,4; Good School Citizen–4.

# Senior Trip to Branson

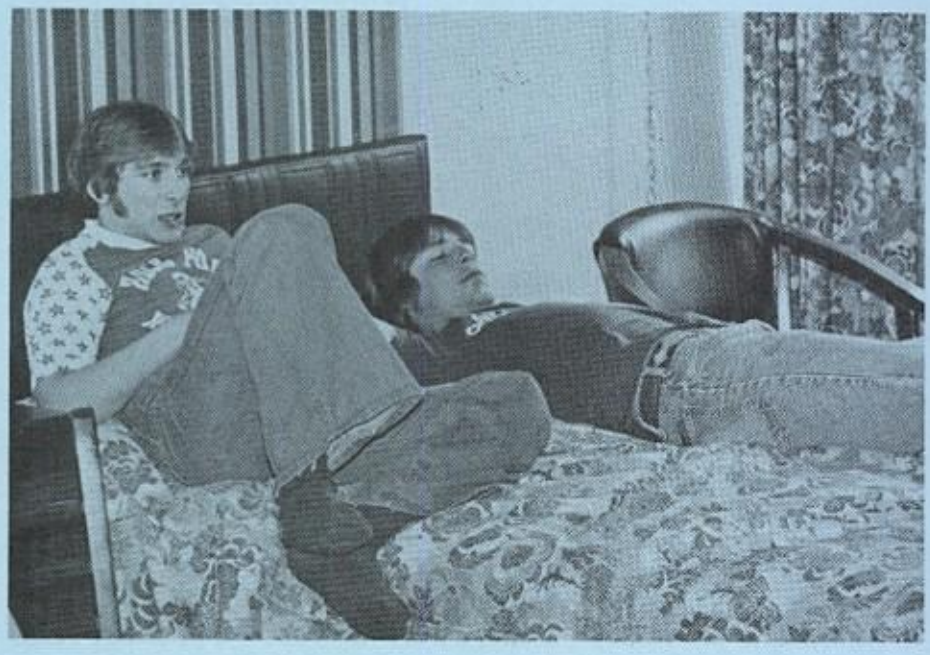
At 12 midnight, May 14, the seniors started out for Branson, MO. After a few stops throughout the night, they arrived around 8:30 at the Holiday Inn in Branson. A bus was taken to The Shepard of the Hills after lunch, but many seniors stayed in the motel and slept or found other activities to do. The next day all the seniors loaded the bus and went to Silver Dollar City. Around 1:00 the bus loaded again and headed home. At right: Jana shows off.

A happy gang!

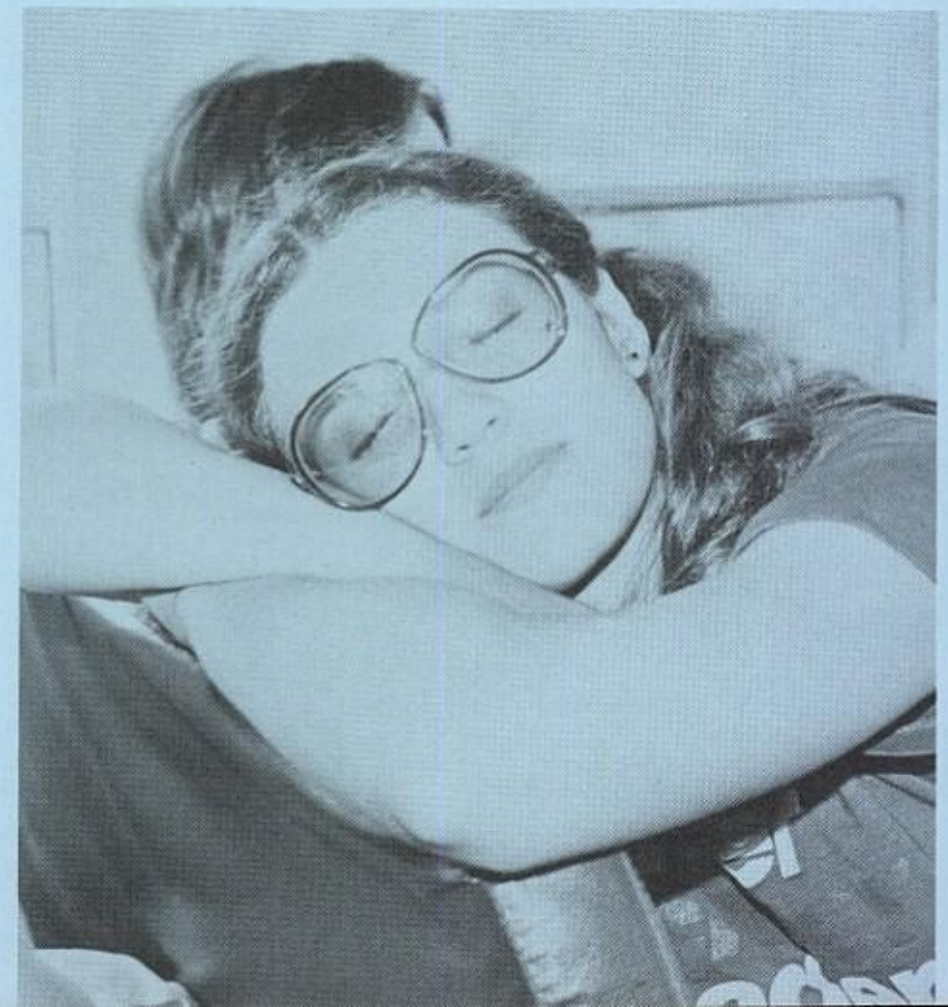
Many seniors slept.

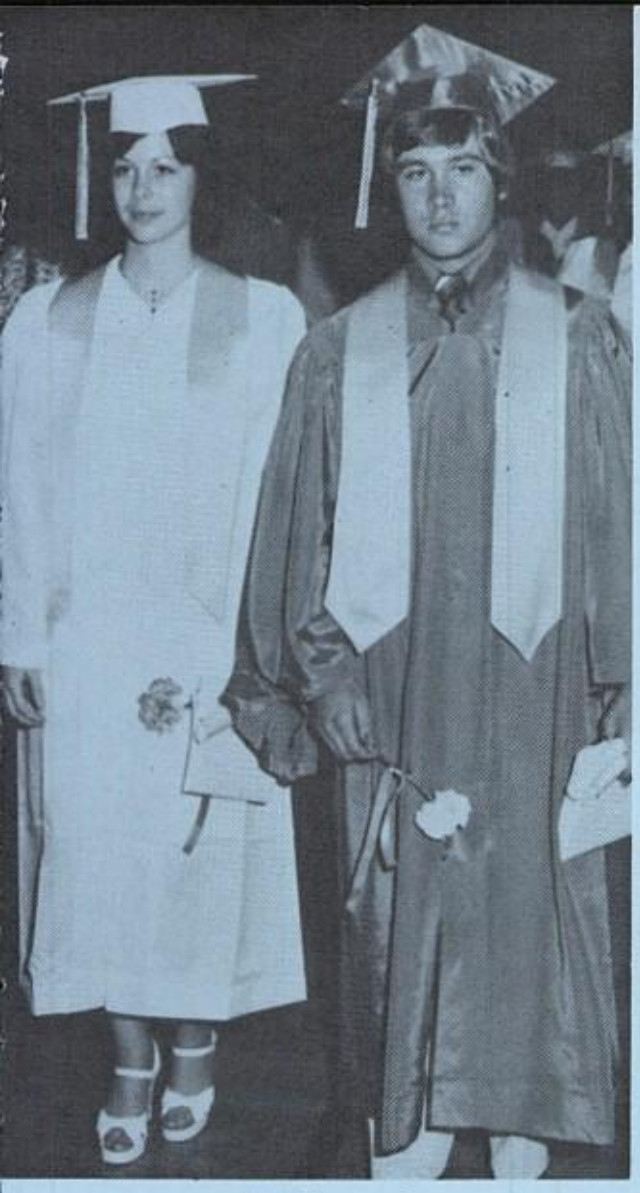


Jim and Kevin relax.

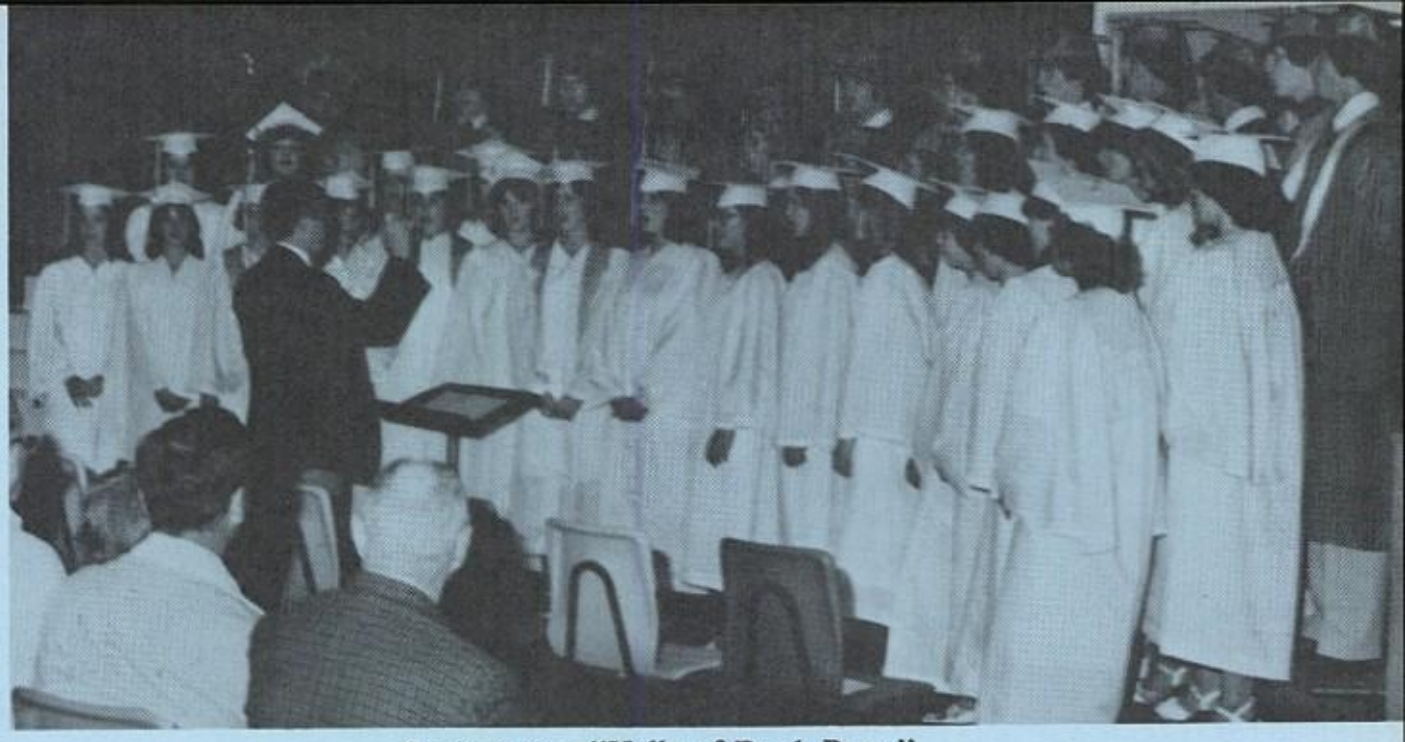


Getting her beauty sleep.

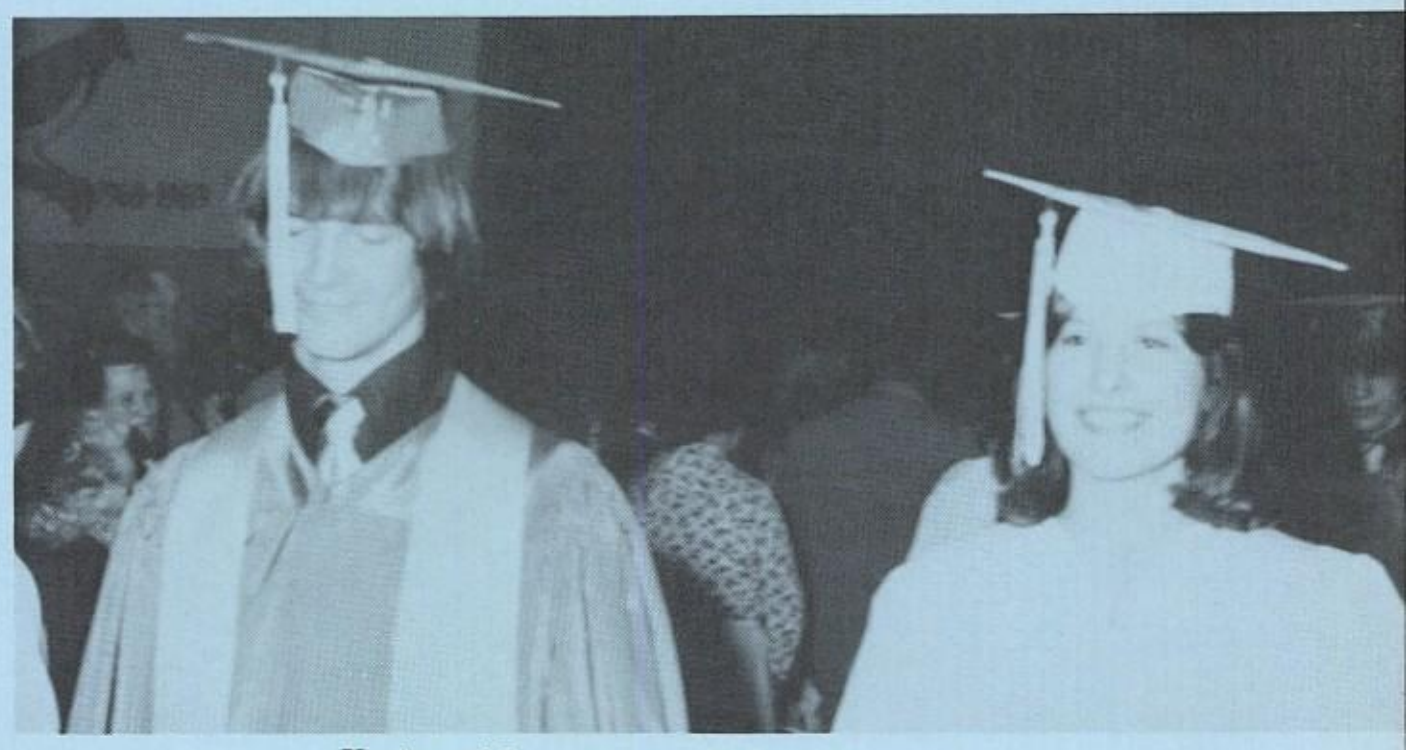




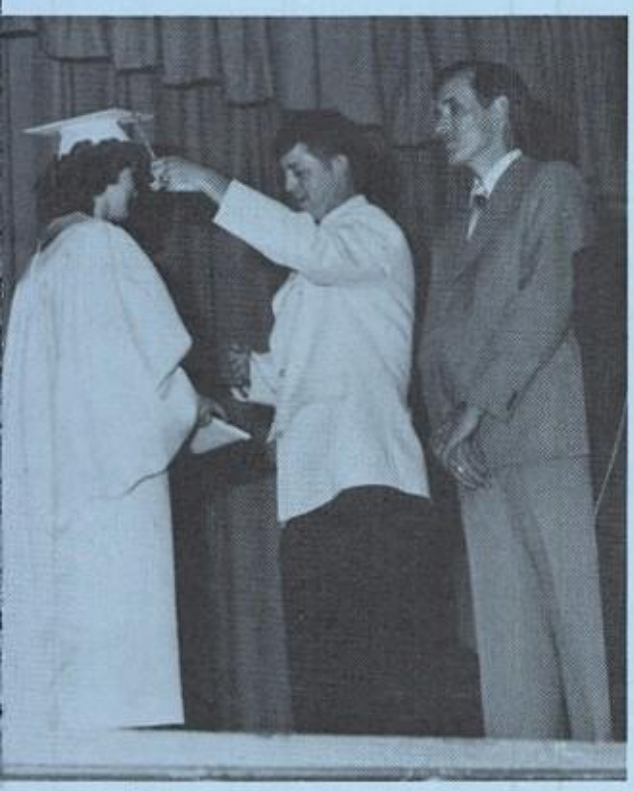
It's all over!



Seniors sing "Halls of Rock Port."



Kevin and Laura are ready for the evening.



Lisa gets congratulated.

# Diplomas to 42 Seniors

The class of '79 spent several mornings and afternoons preparing for Senior Class Day and Baccalaureate and Commencement. The seniors read their class history, class will, and class prophecy on Senior Class Day, which was held May 17.

This year, Baccalaureate and Commencement were combined into one evening. The service was held May 20 in the gym. Mr. Steve Scamman, assistant principal, was the guest speaker. Diplomas were presented by Mr. Don Mobley, President of the School Board. Mr. Robert Couldry and Mr. Steve Scamman shook graduates hands and congratulated them. At left: Laura receives her diploma.

The Blue Jay yearbook staff experineced an industrious school year in 1978-79. The staff sponsored the photo selling booth at the annual Mardi Gras, and they were actively occupied with basic duties and mandatory work projects. Each week, members of the Publications staff had to complete a typed story for the Blue Jay Corner. In addition, each student had a required number of pages to complete for the yearbook, including selecting pictures, drawing layouts, writing copy, and stamping all cropped pictures for yearbook use. The Publications class was under the direction and supervision of Mrs. Kathy Runkles. At right are Mrs. Runkles and editor, Jana Stoner.

Denise and assistant editor, Cindy.

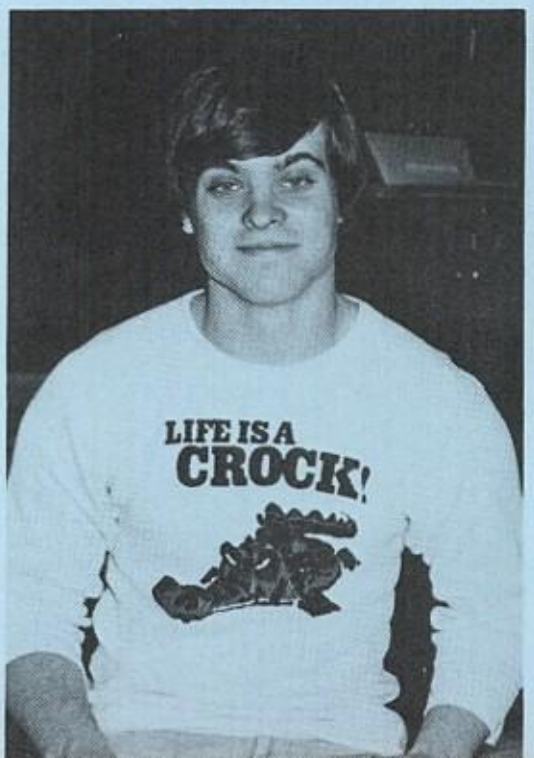
Lisa

Brenda.

Melinda, Stacy, and Mark.

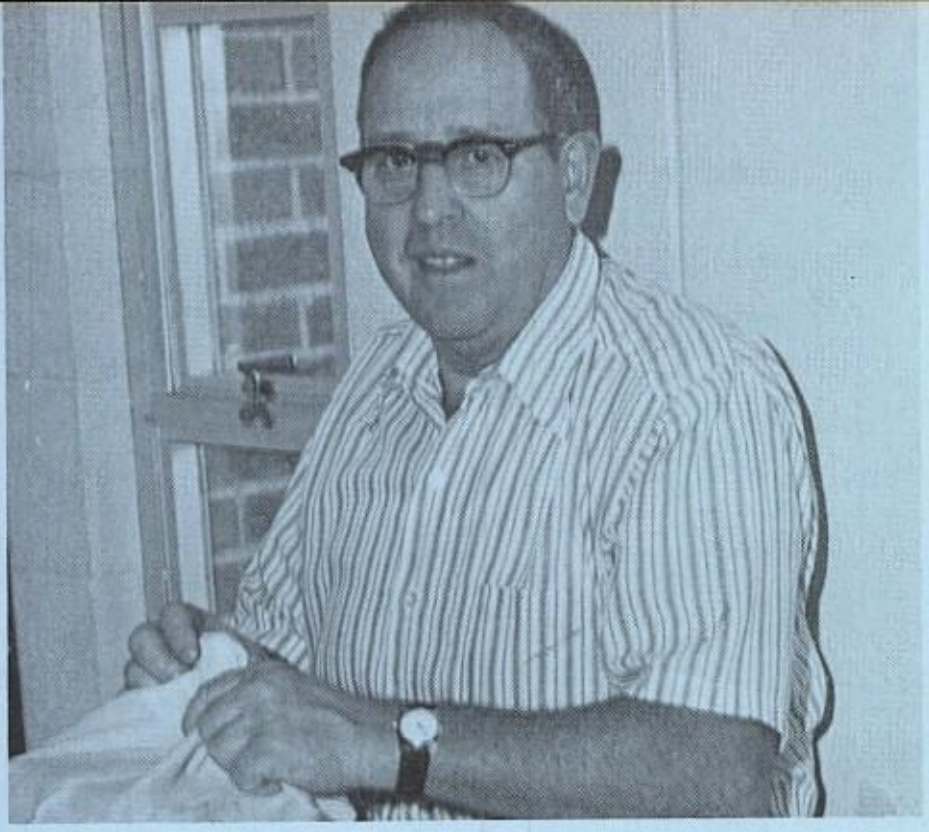
Lee Ann, Valerie, and Christy.

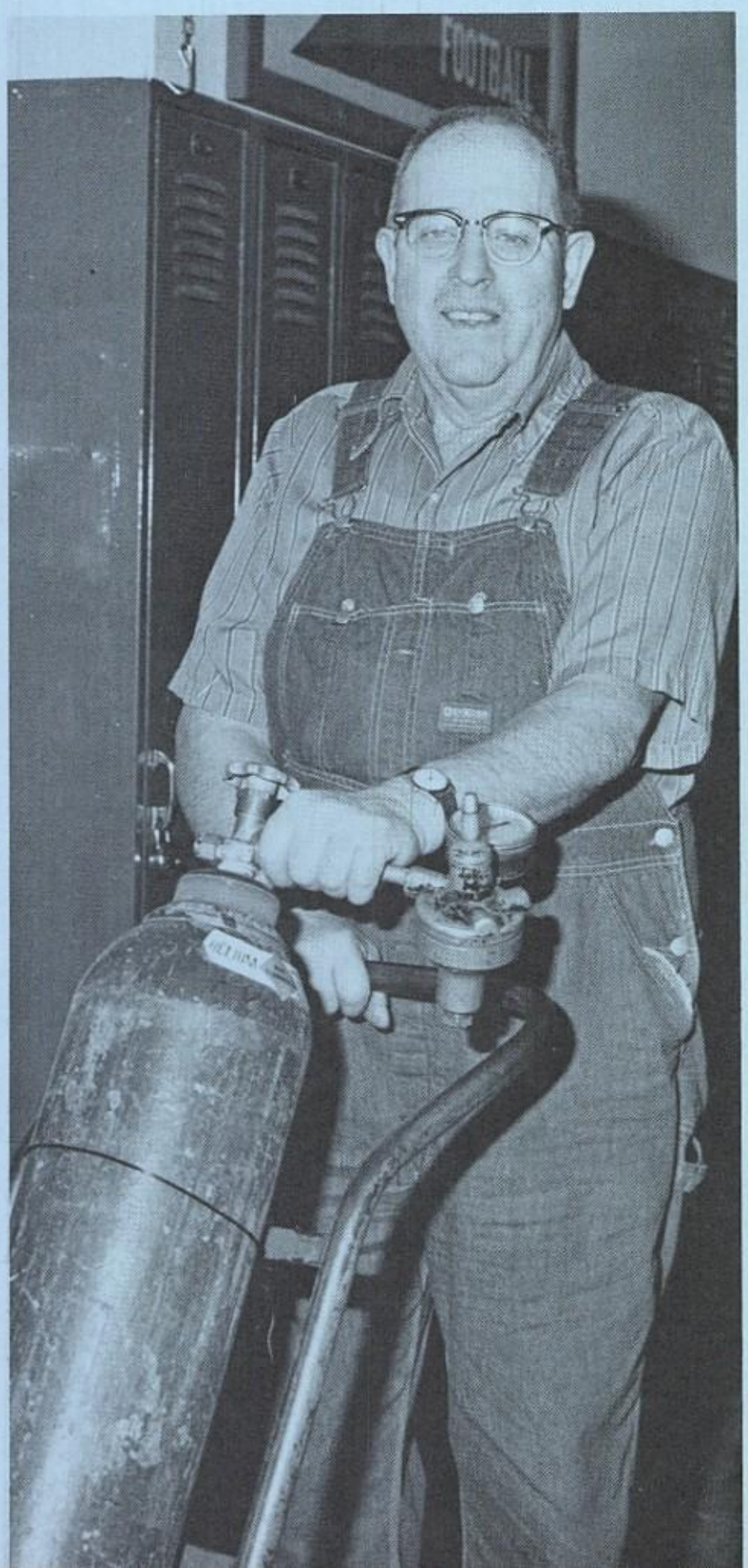
Matt, photographer.




Row 1: Mary Ann and Kim. Row 2: Michelle and Mary

# The Staff





# Retires After Nineteen Years

Mr. Royal Harmon, custodial worker at Rock Port High School for nineteen years, retired with the closing of the school year in May, 1979.

Before becoming employed at Rock Port High School, Mr. Harmon served as an operator, welder, and mechanic at F.C. Karns Construction in Fairfax for several years. In 1956, he was co-owner of the Rock Port Machine Shop which provided blacksmithing and welding. In June 1960, Mr. Harmon begun his career as a custodian at Rock Port High School, also serving as a bus driver for 5 years.

His duties included repairing furniture and fixtures, scrubbing and stripping wax from the floors, painting, small electrical repairs, and general maintenance work.

He pointed out some of the more prominent memories he had over the years, and these included the building of the new football field and the sayings the children have had.

"I have enjoyed working with the people and the kids especially," Mr. Harmon replied as a general comment.

A big thank you is extended to Mr. Royal Harmon for his dutiful service to the school, as well as from all the students who came to know him as a good friend.

*Yesterday's*
*dearest moments*
*are today's*
*dearest memories.*